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Births.

KENT.—July 28, at Walker-street, North Sydney, the wife of C. G. Kent, of a daughter.

Marriages.

DAVIS—HARRIS.—July 21, at St. Andrew's English Church, Summer Hill, by the Rev. J. Vaughan, Herbert Davis, of L'Avenue, Newtown, to Ethel, second daughter of S. Harris, Smith-street, Summer Hill.

Silver Wedding.

COCKTON—RIDGWAY.—July 29, 1872, William Dodgson Cockton, eldest son of the late Captain John Cockton, of Liverpool, formerly of Workington, to Emma Ridgway, third daughter of the late William Ridgway, of Liverpool, formerly of Bristol. English papers please copy.

Deaths.

BEDWELL.—At his mother's residence, Caithness, Belgrave-street, Manly, Frederick Field, eldest son of the late C. E. Bedwell, aged 27.

BONNES.—July 28, 1897, at Prince Alfred Hospital, Charles Bonnes, aged 30 years, after a long and painful illness, which he bore with fortitude.

PEARCE.—July 29, 1879, at their residence, Bowmer-street, Rockdale, Elizabeth (Lizzie), aged 28 years, the beloved wife of John H. Pearce, daughter of Mr. John Hamilton, of Paisley, Scotland. Tasmanian and Paisley papers please copy.

In Memoriam.

COLWELL.—In sad and loving memory of our beloved son and only brother, Thomas Andrew Edwin Colwell, who departed this life July 30th, 1895, in his 24th year, at Hopes, Darlinghurst-road, Sydney; late of Luddenham and Marrickville.

Gentle in mind, patient in pain,
Our dear son has left us heaven to gain;
With actions so noble, generous, and kind,
Hard in this world his equal to find.
Not gone from memory, not gone from love,
But gone to his Father's home above.

Inserted by his sorrowing parents, John and Mary Colwell, and only sister, M. A. Colwell.

COLWELL.—In sad and loving memory of our dear nephew and cousin, Thomas Andrew Edwin Colwell, who departed this life July 30, 1895, in his 24th year, at Hopes, Darlinghurst-road, Sydney. Inserted by his loving uncle, aunt, and cousins, J. T. and A. M'Min and family.

COLWELL.—In sad but loving memory of Thomas Andrew Edwin Colwell, who departed this life on July 30th, 1895. Inserted by his loving uncle and aunt and cousins, Mr. and Mrs. J. Givins and family.

MORRISEY.—In loving memory of our dearly-beloved mother, Mrs. Ann Morrisey, who died at her residence, 110 Princes-street, city. May her soul rest in peace. Inserted by her loving family.

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Massilia*	5028	L. H. Crawford, C.B., R.N.R.	Aug. 16	Aug. 21	Aug. 25
Parramatta	4886	C. F. Preston, R.N.R.	Aug. 30	Sept. 4	Sept. 8
Himalaya	6898	E. H. Gordon	Sept. 13	Sept. 18	Sept. 22
Ballaarat	4730	T. F. Angus	Sept. 27	Oct. 2	Oct. 6
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Darmstadt	5010	A. v. Collen	Oct. 9	Oct. 13	Oct. 16
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ALBANY, FREMANTLE, GERALDTON, WHARFS Direct, transhipping for COSSACK and North-west ports	Wodonga, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Aug. 3 (change at Melbourne). Barcoo, Wednesday, August 4 (from Melbourne). (See Special Advt. below.)
BRISBANE	Maranoa, This Day, 5 p.m., July 30; Eurimbla, Sat., 2 p.m., July 31; Arawatta, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Aug. 3
MARYBOROUGH	Eurimbla, Sat., 2 p.m., July 31
BUNDABERG	Arawatta, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Aug. 3
GLADSTONE	Eurimbla, Sat., 2 p.m., July 31.
ROCKHAMPTON	Eurimbla, Sat., 2 p.m., July 31; Arawatta, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Aug. 3
BROADSOUND	Arawatta, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Aug. 3
MACKAY, BOWEN, TOWNSVILLE (Local Ports), CAIRNS, PORT DOUGLAS, COOKTOWN	Arawatta, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Aug. 3; Wodonga, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Aug. 10
TOWNSVILLE, COOKTOWN, THURSDAY ISLD., NORMANTON, BURKETOWN	Maranoa, This Day, 5 p.m., July 30
NOUMEA, SUVA, LEVUKA (FIJI)	Birksgate, Thursday, August 12.
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ALBANY, FREMANTLE	Buninyong, Tues., Aug. 10, 5 p.m. (No transhipment.)
BRISBANE, MARYBOROUGH, ROCKHAMPTON	Peregrine, To-morrow, Sat., 2 p.m.; Koonoowarra, Tues., Aug. 3, 5 p.m.
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S.S. TAGLIAFERRO, for MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, and PORT PIRIE (without Transhipment), leaving Lime-street Wharf, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, JULY 30, at Noon.

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From Clarence Wharf, 3 Sussex-street—
CLARENCE RIVER.—Kallatina, To-morrow, 9 p.m.
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MACLEAY RIVER.—Burrawong, To-morrow, 8 a.m.

From Market Wharf, foot Market-street—
MANNING RIVER.—Coraki, To-morrow, noon
PORT MACQUARIE.—Rosedale, To-morrow, at noon
BELLINGER RIVER.—Rosedale, early.
RICHARD COOKE, Secretary.

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STEAM TO SHELLHARBOUR.—S.S. PETERBOROUGH leaves Caledonian Wharf, THIS NIGHT, at 9. No cargo after 5. JOHN AUBIN, Agent.

FOR ROCKHAMPTON direct, the clipper schooner, AMELIA WHITE, will leave in a few days. For Freight, &c., apply J. C. BROWN, Bridge-street-chambers.

FOR SUVA AND LEVUKA.—The Brigantine ROTUMA will be despatched about 7th August. For freight, apply to G. J. WATERHOUSE, Agent, 38 Pitt-street.

CARGO for Forster, Cape Hawke.—Rebecca receives Cargo, Friday, 30th July, Taylor's Wharf, Pyrmont.

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Ship NORWOOD, from New York.

CONSIGNEES will please note the above Vessel has been moved from Town's Wharf to Dalgety's new Wharf, where the discharge will be completed.
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NINEVEH, from LONDON.

ALL ACCOUNTS and CLAIMS against the above vessel must be rendered in duplicate to the office of the undersigned by Noon, THIS DAY.
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FOR SALE, Steam LIGHTER, also 14ft. Cedar DINGY. Apply 20 Merriman-st., Miller's Point.

FOR SALE or Lease, Punch's WHARF, Johnston Bay, Balmain.

FOR SALE, OIL LAUNCH, length 26ft., fitted with 2-horse power Grob's oil engine, has a speed of 8 miles an hour; splendidly finished and in first-class going order. Apply NOYES BROS., 12 O'Connell-street.

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TO NEWSPAPER PROPRIETORS AND PRINTERS. FOR SALE, A VICTORY WEB PRINTING AND FOLDING MACHINE, in first-class condition. Will print and fold a sheet 37 x 51 inches. Included with the machine are a set of new gear wheels, two roller moulds complete, one casting box, one chipping horse, and a set and half of roller stocks.

GOLDFIELDS APPLIANCES.—BOILER FOR SALE. One 20-h.p. nominal Cylindrical Multitubular BOILER (externally fired), with Korting injector and fittings complete; length of boiler, 9ft. 4in.; diameter, 5ft. 6in.; number of tubes, 56; dia., 3½in.; working pressure, 80lb. Further particulars may be obtained from JOHN FAIRFAX and SONS, S. M. Herald Office.

ENGINEERING EXHIBITION.—Don't fail to see our Exhibit and Patent BELTING, driving the whole of the Electric and other Machinery. J. C. LUDOWICI and SON, Limited, 162 Clarence-st.

FOR SALE, almost new, a bargain, Ransome, Sims, and Jefferies' 12-h.p. Portable ENGINE, 9½in. dia., double cylinder, 16in. stroke. Apply D. BENJAMIN, Junee.

BATTERY, 20 head; Lamberton Mill; Buddle Elevator; 10-h.p. Col. Type Boiler, 8-h.p. ditto; 14-h.p. ditto; Hor. and Ver. Engines; Hoisting Engine; Gas Engine, 12-h.p., cheap. J. Souter, 486 Jones-st., Ultimo.

FRUE VANNER.—One 4ft. Vanner, in perfect order, for SALE. E. V. Bensusan, 12 O'Connell-st.

WANTED, a 5-head BATTERY and PLANT, complete, must be in good order. State price and particulars, Mine Manager, Herald Office.

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WANTED, good Punching and Shearing MACHINE. Particulars, price, to M Knight and Co., 114 Sussex-st.

Naval and Military Notices.

SEVENTH INFANTRY REGIMENT, ST. GEORGE'S RIFLES.—RECRUITS may be enrolled at Victoria Barracks, Paddington, any week day except Saturday, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., and on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 7 to 10 p.m. Recruit Drill commences immediately upon enrolment. Free Railway Passes are provided for Recruits. (1e-8) JNO. C. NEILD, Major Commanding.

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We are now ready to quote on the NEW PACK of above, and would advise wholesalers calling or writing for quotations before placing indents. TRIUMPH SALMON STEAK supplied from the following Wholesale Houses:—John Connell and Co., Tillock and Co., J. Bardsley and Co., John Barlow and Co., Arthur Rickard, David Cohen and Co., W. C. Douglas and Co., Robt. Miller, J. B. Love and Co.

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Public Notices.

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE.

It is hereby notified, for the information of the public, that SEWERS are being constructed and are now available in the undermentioned streets and lanes in the Borough of Newtown. All owners whose properties are within these streets, or within one hundred and fifty feet of such sewers, are hereby informed that they must connect within thirty days from this date. Rates to be chargeable on all properties liable for such sewers after the expiration of the thirty days aforesaid.
For the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage, WILLIAM HOLMES, Secretary.

NEWTOWN.
Private property, from existing sewer, Enmore-road, 75ft. southerly.

Dated this 29th July, 1897, at the office of the Board of Water Supply and Sewerage, 341 Pitt-street, near Bathurst-street, Sydney. 61-6.

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE OF JAMES THOMAS GRAY, of Swan Bay, Storekeeper.

A First DIVIDEND of Five Shillings (5s) in the £ is now payable at the office of the undersigned on all approved claims.
THOMAS DAVIS, Public Accountant, Gladstone-chambers.
90 Pitt-street, Sydney, 30th July, 1897.

UNION CLOTHING FACTORY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the PARTNERSHIP hitherto existing between the undersigned, who have for some time past traded under the above name or style, has this day been DISSOLVED by mutual consent.
(Signed) A. SUNDERLAND, HENRY HARRISON, ROBERT SIMONS.
Witness to the signatures of the parties hereto—THOMAS DAVIS, 90 Pitt-street, Sydney.
29th July, 1897.

UNION CLOTHING FACTORY.

In reference to the foregoing advertisement, I have pleasure in announcing that I have purchased the Stock, Fixtures, Plant, and Machinery, together with the Goodwill, of the business hitherto carried on by me in conjunction with Messrs. Sunderland and Harrison, and that I shall continue the said Business under the same name on my own account.
(Signed) ROBERT SIMONS.
Witness—THOMAS DAVIS, 90 Pitt-street.
29th July, 1897.

THE UNION CLOTHING FACTORY, 220 SUSSEX-STREET.

NOTICE is hereby given that all ACCOUNTS due to the above must be paid at once to the undersigned, and all CLAIMS against the same must be rendered to me not later than THURSDAY, the 5th August, otherwise they will not be recognised.
By order of the Proprietors. THOMAS DAVIS, Public Accountant.
Gladstone-chambers, 90 Pitt-street, July 28, 1897.

THE CIVIL SERVICE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES, Ltd.

NOTICE is hereby given that the STORE of the above Society will be CLOSED TO-MORROW, 31st instant, for the usual Half-yearly Stocktaking.
By order of the Board. T. G. KENNY, Secretary.
182-4 Pitt-street, Sydney.

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RECORDS.—Search for Official Events, Governmental, Municipal, &c., instituted by F. IRONSIDE, Flinders-street, Sydney (late Chief Reader, Govt. Printing Office). Inquiries from City and Country promptly attended to.

ALL kinds Passengers' Tickets purchased or exchanged. Intercolonial Tourist Agency, 108 Pitt-st., op. G.P.O.

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THE FIRST SHIPMENT of FOONA OYSTERS arrived in Sydney last week, and were a VERY GOOD SAMPLE

NOTICE.—If the Contractor does not Remove Sand and Repair Damages done by same, within three days, from 119 Grafton-street, Woollahra, same will be sold to defray expenses. I. JONES.

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Tenders.

ARTISTS and PAINTERS.—If you want best quality Goods for Lowest Cost buy from JAMES SANDY and CO., 271 and 330 George-street.

ARTISTIC WALL PAPERS, Oils, Colours, Varnishes, Sheet and Plate Glass, Picture Mouldings. H. H. GROTH and CO., 329 George-street, Brickfield-hill.

BOROUGH OF NORTH SYDNEY.

TENDERS are invited, and will be received until 30th JULY instant for Watering Alfred-street from Milson's Point to Junction-street, Junction-street from Alfred-street to Blue-street, Blue-street from Junction-street to Miller-street, Miller-street from Blue-street to Falcon-street, Falcon-street from Miller-street to Merlin-street, Merlin-street and Military-road from Falcon-street to Macpherson-street, Walker-street from Blue-street to Mount-street, and Mount-street from Walker-street to Miller-street.
The work to be Tendered for in sections, and in accordance with specifications, which may be seen at this office.
By order. W. BARNETT SMITH, Town Clerk.
Town Hall, North Sydney, 23rd July, 1897.

BOROUGH OF REDFERN.

TENDERS are invited up to 3 o'clock p.m. on THURSDAY, 5th August proximo, for Painting the Cricket Pavilion on the Redfern Park.
Specifications can be seen, and all information obtained upon application to the undersigned.
Tenders to be properly endorsed, and addressed to the Mayor.
R. W. GRIERSON, Council Clerk.
Town Hall, Redfern, 29th July, 1897.

BOTTLES, Quart Champs.—Tenders wanted to supply 50 gross. S. Marks, 37 King-st., Newtown.

DAMPCOURSE, pure bitumen, portable rolls, cheaper better than imp. or slates. Asphaltum Co., Druitt-st.

FENCERS.—TENDERS for Post and Wire Fence at Campbelltown. CHAPMAN and HAZLEWOOD, 127 King-street, Sydney; or THOMAS GAMBLE, Campbelltown.

TENDERS for Brickwork for Three Cottages, labour only. The Intercolonial Investment Co., Ltd., 3/8 Pitt-street; or G. GRIMLEY, foot of Newland-street, Waverley.

TENDERS requested for Building Weatherboard Cottage (near Guildford), 4 rooms, 14 x 12ft., ceilings not less than 10ft. high. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted. K. Tindall, 49 Victoria-street, Ashfield.

TENDERS for room with chimney, weatherboard, 16 x 12. C. Shultz, Newman-st., Penshurst.

TENDERS wanted for IRON BARS and BRACKETS. Corner King and Holt sts., Newtown.

TENDERS wanted for Taking Out Trenches, Breaking Brickmetal, Putting in Concrete. Wattle-st. 'bus stable

TENDERS, Tuckpointing the Front of New Cottage. Apply J. Lane, Canonbury Grove, Dulwich Hill.

TENDERS for small job of Plumber's Work. Corner King and Holt sts., Newtown.

TIP Carters.—Tenders for Excavating and Road Making. Mr. Sabiel's buildings, off Balmoral-rd., Mosman.

TERRA COTTA, Ridging, Hips, Finials, Chimney Pots Rom. Roof Tiles, lowest prices. Symons, Fairfield.

WANTED, TENDERS, Building Weatherboard Cottage (lab. only). Allen, Percival-st., Leichhardt Hill.

WANTED, TENDERS for Painting and Paperhanging No. 119 Bourke-st., Woolloomooloo. J. B. Hodgson.

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JNO. C. LOVELL and CO., 278 George-street.

Legal Notices.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the following matters will be held at the Court, Chancery-square, Sydney, on the 11th day of August, 1897, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 9th day of August, 1897:—Re EDWARD HOPE WALLACE (No. 11,971), of Lynton, Point Piper-road, Woollahra, now out of employment; re WILLIAM NELSON (No. 12,009), of No. 41 Bullanaming-street, Redfern; re WILLIAM MARTIN ELLIOTT (No. 11,992), of No. 117 Campbell-street, Sydney, Builder and Contractor. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. N. F. GIBLIN, Official Assignee. (1e-5)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the following matters will be held at the Court, Chancery-square, Sydney, on the 10th day of August, 1897, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 7th day of August, 1897:—Re JOHN THOMAS CONSTERDINE LEE (No. 11,980), of South-street, Paddington, and No. 24 Jamieson-street, Sydney, Plumber; re WILLIAM BRAY (No. 12,015), of Rocky Point-road, Rockdale, Vanman; re WILLIAM EDWARD WRIGHT (No. 12,008), of No. 17 Elizabeth-street, Paddington, and No. 33 Rowe-street, Sydney, Accountant. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. L. T. LLOYD, Official Assignee. (4e-5)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy (No. 12,012).—Re DAVID HANNA, of Moulamein, Hotelkeeper and Storekeeper.—NOTICE is hereby given that the First MEETING of Creditors in the above matter will be held at the Office of the Official Assignee, at No. 127 Phillip-street, Sydney, on the 13th day of August, 1897, at 3 p.m. To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 11th day of August, 1897. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. L. T. LLOYD, Official Assignee. (4e-5)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the following matter will be held at the Court, Chancery-square, Sydney, on the 12th day of August, 1897, at 11 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the 10th day of August, 1897:—Re FRANK SAVAGE CHIDGEY (No. 12,011), of Ross-street, Forest Lodge, formerly of Braidwood, ex-Hotelkeeper. ARTHUR HENRY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. W. H. PALMER, Official Assignee. (4e-5)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JOHN MUDD, late of East Maitland, in the colony of New South Wales, freeholder, deceased. APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will and Testament of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to FRANCIS WILLIAM MUDD, JOSEPH SPENCE MUDD, and DUNCAN SIM, the Executors in the said Will named. R. A. YOUNG, Proctor for Applicant, West Maitland. By his Agents, Messrs. ELLIS and BUTTON, 169 Phillip-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of JOSEPH KERR, late of Woodstock, in the colony of New South Wales, miner, deceased intestate. APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to ANN KERR, of Woodstock, the widow of the said deceased. M. T. PHILLIPS, Proctor for the said Applicant, Cowra. By CURTISS and BARRY, his Agents, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of SARAH ROBERTSON, late of Cowra, in the colony of New South Wales, widow, deceased. APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WILLIAM ASHMAN STOKES, of Cowra aforesaid, financial agent, and JOHN THOMAS WEST, of Cowra, gentleman, the Executors and Trustees named in the said Will. M. T. PHILLIPS, Proctor for the said Executors, Kendal-street, Cowra. By CURTISS and BARRY, his Agents, 167 King-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JANE WISEMAN, late of Tamworth, in the colony of New South Wales, widow, deceased. APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to THOMAS DOWE (in the said Will called THOMAS A. DOWE), one of the Executors named in the said Will, SOLOMON WISEMAN, and ANDREW DAVID WISEMAN, the other Executors named in the said Will, having renounced Probate thereof. R. A. DOWE, Proctor for the Applicant, Tamworth. By ICETON and FAITHFULL, his Agents, 88 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of JOHN MORRISON, late of Bulga Creek, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to WILLIAM MOORE and WILLIAM SULLIVAN, the Executors named in the said Will. W. DAVIES DOWNING, Proctor for the Executors, Queanbeyan.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of HENRY BROWN, late of West Mitchell, near Sunny Corner, in the colony of New South Wales, Miner, deceased.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to Samuel Burge, the Executor in the said Will named. ROLIN and GILDER, Proctors for the Executor, 92 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of HENRY LEWIS GORDON, late of North Richmond, Melbourne, in the colony of Victoria, Pawnbroker, deceased, intestate.—APPLICATION will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MIRIAM GORDON, the Widow of the said deceased. STEPHEN, JAQUES, and STEPHEN, Proctors for Applicant, 12 and 14 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

Lost and Found.

"APRICOTEUR" is the registered name for the best APRICOT BRANDY.

FIVE POUNDS REWARD.—Lost, Wednesday night, 28th July, near Castlereagh-street, Pocketbook, containing 10 pound notes, chequebook, passport, &c. Mr. A. Godfrey, solicitor, Barristers'-court, 78 Elizabeth-st., Syd.

LEFT in cab No. 1108, 2 BOOKS. Please return to 155 King-st., Newtown. Will be rewarded.

LOST, on Parramatta-rd., 2 Sides Leather, near Annandale; 5s rew. J. Sheldon and Son., 747 Geo.-st.

LOST, the morning Headache, now that I stick to Dickens' Whisky.

LOST, gold chain Bracelet, between Bellevue and Flood-st. Reward. Napoli, Flood-st., Bondi.

LOST, Wednesday night, between F. Lodge and Town Hall, Gold BROOCH, set diamonds. Reward.

LOST, Member's TICKET, No 1677, Sydney Cricket Ground. Please return J. M. Stawell, Bohemia, Manly.

LOST, 18th July, bet. Kent and Frederick sts., Rockdale, Spectacles. Rwd. Mr. Penman, Kent-st., R'dale.

LOST, Mastiff Dog, fawn, with black points, answers to name Bax. Rew. P. Hayes, Carlton-st., Kensington.

LOST, on Wednesday, a Gold and Pearl LYRE BROOCH. Handsome rew. if returned Astolat, Randw.

LOST, tan-coloured Collie DOG named Sam, reward. Riley's Hotel, King-st.

LOST, Italian Greyhound, Wednesday, Mark Foy's, collar round neck, bells. Rew., 1 Liverpool-st., Pad.

LOST, PURSE, with opals, bet. Grace Bros. and Pyrmont Bridge-rd. Rew. W. M'Guiness, Ross-st., F. Ldg.

LOST, between Cinematograph, King-st., and Bourke-st., gold Hair Brooch, no pin. Rew. 193 Bourke-st.

LOST, from Potts Point, Fox Terrier DOG, black ear; 5s reward. Kilsyth, 81½ Victoria-st. North.

LOST, Pair gold Spectacles, in case, yesterday, Australia-st. Reward at 17 Wellington-st., Newtown.

LOST, Pair Gold-mounted GLASSES. Reward. R. W. M'Coy, 62 Hunter-st.

LOST, Brindle Greyhound DOG, with collar on. Reward, 3 Prospect-rd., Summer Hill.

LOST, MAGPIE; calls "Arthur." Reward, Ilandarra, 479 Dowling-st., Moore Park.

LEFT in 7.5 p.m. train to Flemington, Brown Paper PARCEL, containing clothing. 5s reward on returning to EDWARD HORDERN'S, Brickfield-hill.

LOST, between Kiss's Bazaar and Liverpool-street, Silver Lever WATCH, with portion of Gold Chain attached. Reward. Byrnes' Wharf, Liverpool-street.

LOST, a small Gold BRACELET (cable design), between Victoria-street North and Liverpool-street. Reward. Apply Airlie, 120 Victoria-street, North.

LOST, 28th July, Gold Double RING, with 2 Diamonds and 8 Pearls (two of the pearls out), between North Shore ferry and Mariners' Church, Circular Quay. One Pound Reward. W. M'MULLEN, 3 Corben-st., Surry H.

MARRICKVILLE Pound.—One grey HORSE, branded WG near shoulder, been down on knees.

STRAYED into my yard a Cow; owner can have same by pay. exps. Mrs. Mathieson, Silver-st., S. St. Peters.

STOLEN, Humber BICYCLE, from the vestibule of the School of Arts, at 8 last night. Briscoe, 61 Surry-st.

Lectures.

GAS COOKERY.

Miss COOK, Teacher of Scientific Cookery, will give a LECTURE in the TOWN HALL, RANDWICK, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock.

ADMISSION, FREE.

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Ladies' Serge Costumes	78s 6d / 105s	35s 6d / 49s 6d
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Rich Parisian Mantles, in Velvet, trimmed jet	£6 16s 6d / £7 17s 6d / £8 18s 6d	85s / 105s / 115s 6d

A quantity of CHILDREN'S and MAIDS' PALETOTS are being offered at 6s 11d, 8s 11d, 10s 6d, 12s 6d, which is very considerably below HALF-PRICE.

INFANTS' WARM WINTER PELISSES, in Fledgling Velveteen, Fleecy Cloths, &c., reduced to 6s 11d, 8s 9d, 9s 11d, 10s 6d, and 12s 6d.

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DARK FANCY SILK BROCADE.	12s 6d	2s 11d
	9s 6d	3s 11d
	15s	4s 9d
	12s 6d	6s 9d
	21s	6s 11d
	14s 6d	7s 11d
	16s 6d	10s 6d

	Usual Price.	Reduced Price.
BLACK BROCHE SILKS, New Patterns.	3s 11d	2s 11d
	8s 6d	4s 11d
	8s 9d	5s 11d
	10s 6d	7s 6d

EVERYONE SHOULD PAY A VISIT OF INSPECTION.

DAVID JONES AND COMPANY, GEORGE AND BARRACK STREETS, SYDNEY.

Meetings.

CITY RAILWAY EXTENSION.

A PUBLIC MEETING of all persons in favour of the Extension of the Railway into the City as recommended by the Royal Commission will be held in the TOWN HALL, SYDNEY, THIS (Friday) EVENING, at 8 o'clock.

His Worship the Mayor will Preside. Speakers: The Hon. John Hughes, M.L.C., Messrs. Thos. Bavister, F. Cotton, F. E. M'Lean, C. Ball, D. Storey, R. Sleath, W. J. Ferguson, T. Waddell, and T. Jessep, M.s L.A., J. Upward (Mayor of Ashfield), J. Stinson (Mayor of Burwood), T. Magney (Mayor of Woollahra), and others.
R. B. CROPLEY, Hon. Secretary, City Railway Extension Alliance.

ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION, Glebe Branch: Town Hall, Glebe. A MEETING will be held at the Town Hall, Glebe, TONIGHT, Friday, at 8 o'clock to Form a Class for Men in First Aid, and all are requested to attend with any friends.
F. W. SIMMS, Hon. Secretary pro tem.

HIGHLAND SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual MEETING of Members of the abovenamed Society will be held at the Temperance Hall, 302 Pitt-street, THIS (Friday) EVENING, at 8 o'clock.
GORDON MARR, Honorary Secretary.

WAVERLEY BOWLING and RECREATION COMPANY, Limited.—The Fourth Annual General MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, Waverley-street, Waverley, THIS (Friday) EVENING, at 8 o'clock. Business: The Consideration of the Annual Report, and Election of Directors and Auditors. GEO. T. CLARKE, Secretary.

AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATION LEAGUE.

The Fourth Annual MEETING of the Central Federation League will be held THIS (FRIDAY) AFTERNOON, 30th July, at 4 o'clock, in the Sydney Town Hall.
EDWARD DOWLING, Hon. Secretary.

EAST SYDNEY ROWING CLUB.

The Annual MEETING of Members of the above Club to receive the Report and Financial Statement, and to elect Office-bearers for the ensuing year, will be held at the Australia Hotel, Castlereagh-street, THIS EVENING, at 8.
PERCY GRIFFITHS, Hon. Secretary.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRD ANNUAL MEETING of the Waverley Electorate C.C. will be held on FRIDAY, 6th August, at 7.45 p.m., at Stratton's Hotel, Cowper-street.
BUSINESS: Receive Annual Report and Balance-sheet, Election of Officers, &c. W. A. FIRTH, Hon. Sec.

DIAMOND Jubilee Charity Carnival.—Ladies' Meeting, Town Hall, 3 p.m. To-day. A. S. Gordon, sec.

NATIVES of this Colony, roll up Town Hall TONIGHT, to defeat motion re Railway.

THE NEW SOUTH WALES LAGER BIER BREWING COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the First Annual General MEETING of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Brewery Office, Dowling-street, Redfern, on FRIDAY, the 30th day of JULY instant, at 12 o'clock noon.

To receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet to 30th June, 1897.
To Elect two Directors in the room of Messrs. Kelso King and Captain Broomfield, Esquires, who retire in accordance with clause 83 of the Articles of Association, and are eligible for re-election.
To Elect two Auditors in the places of James Robertson, F.S.I.A., F.I.A.V., and Robert Beveridge, Esquires, who retire, and are eligible for re-election.
And to transact any other business that may be brought before the Meeting in conformity with the Articles of Association.
By order of the Board. T. H. JACKSON, Secretary.
14 Castlereagh-street, Sydney, 7th July, 1897.

N.B.—Pursuant to Clause 80 of the Articles of Association, Candidates for the position of Director must give notice in writing to the Secretary of the Company of their Candidature at least fourteen days prior to the date of Meeting.
Messrs. Kelso King and Captain Broomfield, Esquires, have given the requisite notice that they are Candidates for re-election as Directors; and Messrs. James Robertson and Robert Beveridge, Esquires, have given notice that they are Candidates for re-election as Auditors.

THE AUSTRALIAN BREWERY AND WINE AND SPIRIT COMPANY, Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General MEETING of the Shareholders will be held at the Chamber of Commerce, Exchange, at 2.30 p.m., THIS DAY, 30th July, 1897.

Business:
1st. To receive the Report of the Directors and the Balance-sheet for the year ending 30th June, 1897.
2nd. To elect a Director in the room of B. Prendergast, Esq., who retires, but is eligible for re-election.
3rd. To elect two Auditors in the room of F. J. Jackson, Esq., and William Shenstone, Esq., both of whom are eligible for re-election.
4th. And to transact any other business which may be brought before the meeting in accordance with the Articles of Association.
By order of the Board. THOMAS MAGNEY, Secretary.

NORTH CENTRAL BROKEN HILL SILVER-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.

Offices, 131 Pitt-street.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Twelfth Half-yearly General MEETING of the Company will be held at noon on WEDNESDAY, August the 25th, 1897, at the Company's Office, 131 Pitt-street, Sydney, to receive Directors' Report and Balance-sheet to the 30th June last, and to transact General Business.
By order of the Board. LEONARD DODDS, Manager.
Sydney, 29th July, 1897.

ANTHONY HORDERN'S SALE.

SEE OTHER DAILY PAPERS.

HE COUNTED THEM AT BREAK OF DAY, WHEN THE SUN SET WHERE WERE THEY? So the poet sang of CYRUS THE PERSIAN, and in these later days so might a NINETEENTH CENTURY RHYMER sing of the Bargains offered at ANTHONY HORDERN'S SALE.

YESTERDAY the DRAPERY SECTIONS were LITERALLY PACKED with buyers; they were as close as SARDINES IN A TIN, and as happy as a BRIDE UPON HER WEDDING DAY.

THE GROCERY SECTION has received no small share of extra support during the HALCYON DAYS of the Sale; a goodly company has assembled at its hospitable counters, and an ALMIGHTY LOT of goods have been sent to various RESIDENCES and sundry places by our HIGH-PRESSURE delivery vans.

TEAS.

One would think from THE ENORMOUS OUTPUT during the last few days that the ordinary consumption of BEER, WHISKY, and other generally favourite liquors had entirely ceased, and that the WHOLE POPULATION—father, mother, sister, brother, and MOTHER-IN-LAW—had given themselves up body and soul to DRINKING TEA. Of course OUR TEAS are very nice, and then OUR TEAS are a good deal cheaper than can be got elsewhere, and as TEA is a staple commodity in most households we should recommend the getting in of a good supply of TEA AT SALE PRICE.

HERE YOU ARE:

ONE AND THREEPENNY BLEND, IN TINS.

	Usual Price.	Sale Price.
5lb. Tin	6s	5s
10lb. Tin	11s 6d	10s
20lb. Tin	22s	20s

Talk about THE CUP THAT CHEERS, is there not something EXHILIARATING in our Sale Prices! Eh! mon!

ONE AND NINEPENNY BLEND, IN TINS.

	Usual Price.	Sale Price.
5lb. Tins	8s 6d	7s 6d
10lb. Tins	16s 6d	15s
20lb. Tins	31s	29s

"Another cup, please; it's the best tea I've had for ages." Oh! be joyful.

TEA IN BOXES.

The peculiarity of this speciality is that while it is as CHEAP AS DIRT, it is good enough for the VICE-REGAL HOB, and rich enough in flavour for a CALITHUMPIAN TEA AND MUFFIN SCRAMBLE. Pass the milk, please.

600 BOXES CHINA TEA, each box containing 5lb. NET. The price per box is 4s, and it was never before lower than 5s 6d. "Yes, Madam, we'll send it home with pleasure, and you may depend upon its being in time for FOUR O'CLOCK TEA. Be sure and ask the NEW CURATE; he likes a good cup of tea."

THEN THE SUGAR.

Great Scott! THE SUGAR. It's been going out in tons. Have the people left off EATING SALT and taken to SUGAR instead, or is a SUGAR DIET recommended by the faculty, or what becomes of all the sugar that leaves our Store? Without pretending to the genius of COGHLAN or the marvellous aptitude for figures which usually distinguishes a TREASURY QUILLDRIVER, we should say HALF A TON PER HEAD has been about the thing during the last week. Don't blush, Mr. GROCER, we are willing to make THE USUAL AFFIDAVIT, if necessary.

COLONIAL SUGAR COMPANY'S.

No. 3 Sugar, Yellow—12lb. for 2s; 70lb. bag for 11s.
I.C. Sugar, White—12lb. for 2s 3d; 70lb. bag for 12s 3d.
I.W. Sugar—12lb. for 2s 4d; 70lb. bag for 12s 9d.
Loaf Sugar—12lb. for 3s; 56lb. box for 13s 3d.
Brewers' Crystal Sugar—12lb. for 2s 9d; 70lb. bag for 15s 6d.

THEN THERE IS SKEENA RIVER SALMON, which we are offering at a price that should delight the FISH-EATERS of the community. 5000 TINS SKEENA RIVER SALMON, 5½d tin.

LIKEWISE, THERE ARE PICKLES.

These EPICUREAN AIDS to appetite are greatly reduced, and we have much pleasure in offering—WARNE BROTHERS' ROYAL NIZAM PICKLES at 7½d bottle, the usual price being 1s.

It is said that these favourite Pickles are made from a receipt found in the Palace of a celebrated INDIAN POTENTATE, a sovereign of immense wealth, unbounded territory, and an inordinate LOVE OF PICKLES. See "Historical Records," Vol. 1, Chap. 111.

ANTHONY HORDERN AND SONS, UNIVERSAL PROVIDERS, HAYMARKET (ONLY).

Meetings.

NEW SOUTH WALES MONT DE PIETE D. AND I. COMPANY, Limited, 74 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

GENERAL MEETING.

A General MEETING of the Shareholders in the above Company will be held on FRIDAY, 30th instant, upon the Company's premises, at 11.30 a.m.
By order of the Board of Directors. LEWIS LEVY, Manager.

Business:
To receive the directors' report and balance-sheet; to elect two directors in the room of Henry B. Cotton, Esq., and Dr. Edwin Chisholm, whose term of office expires by effluxion of time (both these gentlemen are eligible for re-election, and offer themselves accordingly); to elect two auditors in the place of Messrs. J. B. C. Miles and J. H. Davies, whose term of office expires by effluxion of time (they again offer themselves for re-election).
And to transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting in accordance with the Articles of Association.
Dated 15th July, 1897.

NEW SOUTH WALES MONT DE PIETE D. AND I. COMPANY, Limited, 74 Castlereagh-street, Sydney.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from 16th to 30th instant inclusive.
By order. LEWIS LEVY, Manager.
Dated 15th July, 1897.

Wanted to Purchase.

LEFT-OFF CLOTHING BUYERS. The Original Mr. and Mrs. WOOLF returned from England, and, having a great demand for Ladies', Gents.'s, and Children's LEFT-OFF CLOTHING, can give more than any other dealer in the colony. Bed and Table Linen, Silver Plate, Old Gold, Old Artificial Teeth, Portmanteaus, Rugs, and Articles of every description Bought. Letters and appointments punctually attended to by Mr. or Mrs. WOOLF, 119 BATHURST-STREET, (late of 194).

SECOND-HAND CLOTHING BUYERS. Mr. and Mrs. ROSENTHAL are prepared to give the Highest Prices for Left-off Clothing, Bed and Table Linen, Old Gold, Artificial Teeth, Portmanteaus, Rugs, and every description of New and Second-hand Property. We are pre-eminent in the trade through giving highest prices. Letters and appointments promptly attended to by Mr. or Mrs. ROSENTHAL, 114 and 116 Bathurst-street.

LEFT-OFF CLOTHING BUYERS. Mr. and Mrs. BARNETT give Extreme Value for Ladies', Gentlemen's, Children's Left-off Clothing, Portmanteaus, Old Gold, Silver, Artificial Teeth. Articles of every description bought. Letters punctually attended to by Mr. or Mrs. BARNETT, 124 Bathurst-street.

LEFT-OFF CLOTHING. Mr. and Miss M. MITCHELL have a great demand for all kinds LEFT-OFF CLOTHING; and also supply other colonies. Can give more than any other dealers. Ladies changing for mourning. Old Teeth, Jewellery, Portmanteaus, Bed and Table Linen, Furniture, &c. Letters and Parcels attend. Address 145 and 147 Bathurst-st., city.

OLD Artificial Teeth.—Old Teeth Bought, highest price given. M. Mitchell, 145, 147 Bathurst-st.

LEFT-OFF CLOTHING BUYERS. Knowing their great cost, we are prepared to give their full value. Letters and appointments punctually attended to. Mr. or Miss BENJAMIN, Elizabeth and Goulburn streets.

FAT (Kitchen) Bought, or Soap Exchange, cart by appointment. Marlton, 105 George-st., Erskineville.

TICKETS.—THE INTERCOLONIAL TOURIST AGENCY Purchase or Exchange Tickets and Passages to all other colonies, England, &c., at full face values. Note the Address: 108 PITT-STREET, OPPOSITE G.P.O.

TICKETS.—Melbourne, Adelaide, B. Hill, Hobart, N. Zealand, Queensland, W.A., Hobart, London, wanted any quantity, highest values given; also Sell, Exchange. PIRKINS, 135 King-street, near Quong Tart's.

STAMPS.—Wanted, Australian current and obsolete issues; highest prices given. 5 (top floor), 88 Eliz.-st.

STAMPS, Stamps.—Used Australian Postage Stamps Bought. Price list free. Fred. Hagen, 74 Eliz.-st.

WANTED, House Lumber, Furniture, Books, Bric-a-brac, Cast-off Clothing, &c. Noah's Ark, Newtown.

WEIGHBRIDGE wanted, second-hand, self-contained, to weigh lorries up to 5 tons. E. F. G., Herald.

WANTED, Lady's Ticket to Western Australia; open till 3rd August. M. K., Park-st. P.O.

WANTED, quantity second-hand Water Tanks, high cash prices given. Crittle, Orchard-st., Ashfield.

WANTED to Purchase, complete Toilet Soap Plant, Press, Moulds, Cutting Tables. 231 Eliz.-st., Redf.

HIGH-CLASS FURNITURE SALE (STOCK-TAKING). 2s in the £ returned to you.

WALKER, SONS, and BARTHOLOMEW, Ltd. (next door to DAVID JONES and CO.).

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Government Railways.

MOOREFIELD RACES.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 30th JULY, 1897.

SPECIAL TRAINS for FIRST and SECOND CLASS Passengers leave Sydney for Kogarah at 1.0 and 1.25 p.m., and for Horses 11.50 a.m.

RETURN FARES: First-class, 1s; Second-class, 9d.

By order of the Commissioners.

H. M'LACHLAN, Secretary.

Amusements.

CRITERION THEATRE.
Under the direction of
T. A. KENNEDY.

FOR A SHORT SEASON.

The Universal Verdict—
A TRIUMPHANT SUCCESS
PROF. D. M. BRISTOL'S
EDUCATED HORSES.

DON'T FAIL TO SEE { DENVER, the Mule Comedian
SULTAN, the Wonderful Mathematician
TONY, the Trapeze Pony
ALPONSO, the Startling Mimic
and
All the other Stellar Favourites.

PRICES: Dress Circle and Reserved Stalls, 3s. Stalls, 2s; Family Circle, 1s 6d; Gallery, 1s. Early Doors Supreme Extra. Carriages at 10.15.

At the Matinees all young Children are given a Free Pony Ride, and under 12 years are admitted to any seat for SIXPENCE. Seats can now be booked at Nicholson's.

MASTER RAIMUND PECHOTSCH,
THE YOUNG AUSTRALIAN VIOLINIST.
GRAND BENEFIT CONCERT.
TOWN HALL, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) NIGHT, JULY 31st.

Proceeds will be devoted to enable this talented boy to pursue his Studies in England.

The Principal Artists of Sydney have kindly consented to combine in making this the
RECORD CONCERT OF THE YEAR.

FULL PROGRAMME
in
SATURDAY'S PAPER.

Admission:
ONE SHILLING, TWO SHILLINGS.
A FEW RESERVED SEATS
THREE SHILLINGS.
Plan of Reserved Seats and Tickets at Paling's.
Doors open 7; overture, 7.45.

UNDER the Patronage of Hon. Mrs. and Captain Ferguson, Major-General French, his Worship the Mayor of Sydney, &c., &c.
GRAND VOCAL and INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT, in aid of the BOYS' HOMES, CAMDEN, CENTENARY HALL, TUESDAY, AUGUST 3rd, at 8. BOX PLAN AT W. H. PALING and CO.'S
Reserved Seats, 3s; Unreserved, 1s.

POLYTECHNIC. 1s

89 KING-STREET, OPPOSITE ARCADE.
The Crown Studios Cinematographe and Roentgen X Ray Exhibition.
New Pictures Every Week.

TO-MORROW EVENING
the Well-known Comedian,
Mr. T. E. LEONARD,
will make his First Appearance in this Hall, and will sing some of his Original and Humorous Songs.
THE FAMOUS SCOTCH BALLADIST,
and Eccentric Vocalist,
Miss BESSIE FRASER,
will sing a Humorous Song entitled
"THE WIRING GATE."
CONTINUOUS SHOWS, commencing at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

ADMISSION, 1s; CHILDREN HALF-PRICE.

SPECIAL NOTICE.
TO-NIGHT Mr. BLOW will give a Social to the whole of the Studios employees, in consequence there will be no Entertainment at the Polytechnic
AFTER 5.30 P.M.

SALON CINEMATOGRAPHE
(237 Pitt-street, nearly opp. Lyceum).

200,000 People to Date, 200,000.

THE COUPON SYSTEM is now in operation.

Every person paying 1s is entitled to Free Admission at any time when accompanied by one paying person.

JERUSALEM CYCLORAMA.
AS IT WAS 2000 YEARS AGO.
FULL LECTURES, at 3 and 8 p.m., with HIGH-CLASS MUSIC, THUNDER, LIGHTNING, and STORM.
BEAUTIFUL PANORAMIC EFFECTS. "Visions of Angels." Explanations at 11 a.m., 12, 1, and 4.30 p.m.
After the Evening Lecture Beautiful Effects and Dissolving Views are produced, and Music for Cecil Wood.
Open 10 a.m. to 5.30 p.m., and 7 till 10 p.m.
GENERAL MITE, 20 Years Old, 50 Inches High, 30lb. Weight, and 33 Inches Round. For a few Weeks Only.
ADMISSION AS USUAL. 1s; CHILDREN, 6d.

ENGINEERING and ELECTRICAL EXHIBITION.
PRINCE ALFRED PARK.
OPEN DAILY, 2 TILL 6 AND 7 TILL 10 P.M.
MACHINERY IN MOTION.
SPECIAL PROGRAMME OF MUSIC
AFTERNOON AND EVENING.
MONDAY NEXT, AUGUST 2nd,
GRAND POPULAR PROMENADE CONCERT.
LEADING ARTISTS OF SYDNEY.
Musical Director,
Mr. L. DE GROEN.
Full particulars in Saturday's and Monday's papers.
SPECIAL TRAM SERVICE DAILY.
Botany, Waterloo, and Redfern Trams pass the Doors.
Admission—ONE SHILLING.

SYDNEY CRICKET GROUND.
TO-MORROW, TO-MORROW.
THIRD AND TEST MATCH.

N. S. WALES v. NEW ZEALAND.
N. S. WALES v. NEW ZEALAND.

At 3.15 p.m.
CHAMPION MATCH
at 2 p.m.—
WALLAROO v. WENTWORTH.

Also,
3.45, SUBURBAN BICYCLE CLUB RACE.

Gates opened at 1.15 p.m.
SPECIAL TRAMS direct to Ground.
ADMISSION: 1s to Ground, 1s extra to Grand Stand. Children Half-price.
MEMBERS must produce their Tickets at the Gates. By order of the Trustees.
S. H. FAIRLAND, Secretary S. C. Ground.
Office: 60 Castlereagh-street.

MOOREFIELD PONY RACES.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
ADMISSION, 1s; CHILDREN HALF-PRICE.
FIRST RACE STARTS at 2.10 P.M.

TRAINS TO KOGARAH:
Horse Boxes, 11.30 a.m.
Ordinary, 12.10, 1.10, 2.10 p.m.
Specials, 1.0, 1.25 p.m.
JOHN JOLLY, Secretary.
Office: 106 Pitt-street, Sydney.

CANTERBURY PARK RACES.
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, JULY 31,
and
MONDAY NEXT (Bank Holiday), AUGUST 2.
First Race starts at 2.10 p.m. Saturday.
Monday, First Race starts at 2 p.m.

TRAINS to CANTERBURY:—Horses Boxes stinched to 12.30 p.m Ordinary; Specials, 12.45, 1.3, and 1.17 p.m.; Ordinary, 12.30, 1.30, and 2.20 p.m.
W. L. DAVIS,
General Manager and Secretary.
Office: 106 Pitt-street.

CANTERBURY PARK RACES.
PONY and GALLOWAY MEETING.
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 1897.

THE RIVER HANDICAP (14.2), 20 sovs., 4½ furlongs.
WELTER HANDICAP (15.0), 20 sovs., 5 furlongs.
Tib., 4 furlongs.
TELEGRAPH HANDICAP (14.4), 20 sovs., 4 furlongs.
RAILWAY HANDICAP (14.3), 20 sovs., 5 furlongs.
DWARF HANDICAP (14.0), 20 sovs., 4½ furlongs.
GALLOWAY HANDICAP (15.0), 20 sovs., 1 mile.

N.S.W. Associated Clubs' Rules.
Nomination fee for each race, 1 sov.
ENTRIES close at 5 p.m. THIS DAY, FRIDAY, July 30, 1897.
W. L. DAVIS,
General Manager and Secretary.
Office: 106 Pitt-street, Sydney. Telephone 1131.

KENSINGTON RACING CLUB.
THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 1897.
Five Total Stakes (15.0) of 25 sovs., for horses that have never won a race of the value of 15 sovs. 4 furlongs.
The 14.1 Handicap of 20 sovs. 5 furlongs.
The 15.0 Handicap of 20 sovs. 5 furlongs.
The Nursery Handicap (14.0) of 25 sovs. 4 furlongs.
The 14.2 Handicap of 25 sovs. 5 furlongs.
The Kensington Welter (15.0) of 25 sovs., lowest weight 7st 7lb. 7 furlongs.
ENTRIES CLOSE 5 p.m. THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
P. O'MARA, Sec.
20 Bunnell-street. Tel. No., 774.

EASTWOOD.—16 Orchard and Residence Blocks. 10 Terms may. Lithos. Torrens. On Ground TO-MORROW, SAT., 3.15 p.m.

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.
Sole Lessees and Managers,
Messrs. WILLIAMSON and MUSGROVE.
Bus. Manager, Geo. L. Goodman. Treas., J. B. Mountie.
Doors at 8. Carriages at 10.40.
POSITIVELY THE LAST NIGHT
of
MY FRIEND FROM INDIA,
the Funniest Play Ever Produced in Australia.
SHOUTS, SCREAMS, ROARS of LAUGHTER.

"The Future is in the far-off, as the gone-by rests with the way-back, and the now is always WAS be, IS be, WILL be."

THE LAST NIGHT
THE LAST NIGHT
and
FAREWELL PERFORMANCE
FAREWELL PERFORMANCE
of
Mr. HARRY PAULTON
and
Miss ALMA STANLEY.

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MY FRIEND FROM INDIA.
MY FRIEND FROM INDIA.
by H. A. Du Souchet and W. Lestocq.
The Brightest and Merriest Absurdity ever staged in Sydney.
Interpreted by
Mr. HARRY PAULTON,
Messrs.

GEORGE LAURI	CYRIL KRIGHTLEY
HANS PHILLIPS	FRED. COMBOURNE
C. M. BERKELEY	ALBERT WHELAN
Mesdames	
EDOUIN BEYER	MINNA PHILLIPS
LENA BRASCH	LILA MOORE.

and
ALMA STANLEY.

Prices as usual. Children in arms not admitted.
Box Plan at Nicholson and Co.'s.

"MY FRIEND FROM INDIA."
THE LAST OPPORTUNITY
is afforded TO-NIGHT of hearing the
PAULTON'S LECTURETTE
on
"WOMEN AND MARRIED MEN."
"A Woman longs for marriage, and the longer she longs the longer she lingers—lingers longingly."
"Solomon died a victim of matrimony: a thousand and odd wives. What a record!"
"I imagine Solomon's back yard on washing day with all their stockings and things pegged out on the clothes-line."

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.
A SEASON OF
MIRTH AND MUSIC
will be inaugurated on
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, JULY 31st,
with the First Production in Australia of
THE
GAY PARISIENNE,
Musical Comedy in 2 Acts, by Geo. Dance and Ivan Caryll, played upwards of 80 nights at the Duke of York's Theatre, London, interpreted by
WILLIAMSON and MUSGROVE'S
NEW
GAY PARISIENNE COMPANY,
The Most Powerful Musical Comedy Combination that has ever appeared in Australia.
EVERY EVENING, AT 7.45,
and
SATURDAY'S MATINEES AT 2.
THE
GAY PARISIENNE,
with the following great
DISTRIBUTION OF CHARACTERS—

Mr. Ebenezer Honeycomb (a Shining Light)	Mr. George Lauri
Mrs. Honeycomb (his Wife)	Miss Florence Seymour
Nora (their Daughter)	Miss Juliet Wray
Ruth (his Servant)	Miss Alice Lesmar
Mabel (Nora's Friend)	Miss Aline Rene

(Her First Appearance in Australia)

Major Fossdyke (of the Battersea Butterfly Shooters)	Mr. John Coleman
Angela	Miss A. Humphreys
May	Miss Lucy Cobb
Ethel	Miss Florence Alder
Gladys } The Major's Daughters	Miss Nellie Gibson
Maud }	Miss Daisy Lucelle
Edith }	Miss Beatrice Place
Violet }	Miss Ellen Gibson
Rose }	Miss Stella Esdaile
Tom Eveleigh (a Barrister)	Mr. John Peachey
Jack	Mr. Arthur Lassat
Blatterwaite (a Gendarme)	Mr. P. Bathurst
Hans (Proprietor of the Spa Hotel Schoffenburg)	Mr. George De Lara
	(His First Appearance in Australia)
Algernon P. Dunie (an American)	Mr. Orlando Daly
Perry Tooting { Dunie's Friends	Mr. Richard Reily
Cecil Smythe }	Mr. Frank Leslie

His First Appearance in Australia.

Gretchen	Miss Ruby Kennedy
Fritz	Mr. Frank Lear
Mr. Auguste Pompier (his original character)	Mr. Ernest Shand
and	
Mdlle. Julie Bon Bon (the Gay Parisienne)	Miss Ada Willoughby

Her First Appearance in Australia.

OPERA, CHORUS, and ORCHESTRA,
under the Baton of the popular Conductor and Composer,
M. LEON CARON.
THE COSTUMES
by Alias, of London, and David Jones and Co., Sydney.
THE SCENERY
specially Painted by Messrs. GRIFFITHS and J. GORDON.
The Ballets arranged by Madame PHILIPINI.
The Whole Produced under the Direction of
FRED. W. ATKINS,
Late Principal Stage Director for J. C. Williamson, England.
BOX PLAN NOW OPEN.
Book your Seats and avoid disappointment.
SPECIAL NOTICE.
THE PERFORMANCE BEGINS at 7.45.

LYCEUM THEATRE.
SATURDAY, 31st JULY, 1897, 8 p.m.
In aid of the Diamond Jubilee Charity Carnival and Queen Victoria Home for Consumptives.
In presence of his Excellency the Governor and Suite, his Worship the Mayor and Lady Mayoress.
First production in Australasia by the
STANDARD DRAMATIC CLUB of SYDNEY
of
A Comedy from the French of Sardou.
Dress Circle and R. Stalls, 3s; Stalls, 2s; Gallery, 1s.
Tickets: Nicholson's, Paling's, Beale's.
Plan at Nicholson's.

SYDNEY CRICKET GROUND.
THIS DAY. THIS DAY.
PUBLIC SCHOOLS' FETE.
PUBLIC SCHOOLS' FETE.
GATES OPEN at NOON.
SPECIAL TRAMS DIRECT to THE GROUND.
ADMISSION—6d to Ground, 6d extra to Stand.
Children, half-price.
CHILDREN COMPETING in Sports admitted FREE.
By order of the Trustees.
S. H. FAIRLAND,
Secretary.
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THE CITY BUILDING ACT.

COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT.

A meeting of the finance committee of the City Council was held in the Council-chamber, Town Hall, yesterday. There were present the Mayor (Alderman I. E. Ives) in the chair, Aldermen M. Chapman, Landers, Beare, Smail, Buckle, M. Harris, Jeanneret, Dean, Booth, Lees, Johnston, Waine, Jessep, H. Chapman, Taylor, J. Harris, and Penny.

Alderman Lees said he would like the Mayor to give some definite opinion as to when Park-street would be opened again for traffic. He had received several complaints. He knew the Mayor had a reason behind his action, but it seemed to him to be a hardship on the shopkeepers, who depended largely upon the through traffic of that street, that it should be closed through somebody's blunders.

The Mayor said so far as the council was concerned the street might have been opened before, but when Mr. Gordon was before the select committee, Mr. Lyne, the chairman, asked that the opening might be allowed to remain for further expert evidence to be given upon it. He thought it was probable that the street would be open for traffic shortly. There would not be another sitting of the committee till next Wednesday. He would communicate with the chairman of the committee.

A letter from Major Z. C. Rennie, general manager of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, to Alderman Dean, was read. It stated that the wooden structure which the Government was erecting on the vacant land at the corner of Martin-place and George-street was designed in disregard and defiance of all the rules and regulations of the Building and Improvement Act, and was calculated by its appearance to throw contempt upon the efforts which had been made in the neighbourhood to beautify and adorn the city; and its construction would force an intolerable risk upon adjoining owners. The building was said to be temporary, but it seemed to him highly injudicious to let such a structure front a street over which the council was supposed to exercise some control. Had a private individual proposed to commit this offence against the safety and good taste of the community he would have met with such opposition as would have sufficed to relegate his scheme into obscurity. How was it that the council allowed the Government to ride roughshod over its Building Act? It was with feelings of deepest indignation that he viewed the tolerance of the erection of this structure on a spot near which hundreds of thousands of pounds had been expended in improvements.

The city architect reported that the building was a temporary structure, to be used during alterations to some of the Post Office premises in George-street. He had served a notice on the contractor that the building was not in accordance with the building regulations.

Alderman M. Chapman said this was part and parcel of the Government's action. This land was worth over £1000 a foot, and the Government was putting up a structure that was a disgrace to the city.

Alderman Dean said the case was a very bad one. He understood that they had no power over the Government. It was hard that owners of property who had spent some millions of money should have such a structure put up beside them. He moved,—"That counsel's opinion be obtained as to the powers of the council."

Alderman Taylor said he would go further. He would instruct the city surveyor to summons the contractor, and test the case in Court.

Alderman Waine said the building was almost completed. He was afraid they had not the power to stop the Government erecting such buildings. He was informed that the owners of property in the locality could go for an injunction against the Government to prevent the erection of such a structure.

Alderman Jeanneret said it seemed to him that the Government had no more power than a private individual to break the law.

Alderman H. Chapman said it would have been better for those who complained to have approached the Government. Those ratepayers affected should get the city members of Parliament to move in the matter. It would be better to have a deputation. They were at loggerheads enough with the Government already without going to law on this matter.

Alderman J. Harris said they ought to get counsel's advice, and if that was against the council, then they could approach members of Parliament. The Railway Commissioners and the Water and Sewerage Board had sinned by putting up wooden buildings. The Government should set the citizens a good example. Visitors who came to Sydney would be astonished to see a wooden building in such a fine position among so many fine buildings.

Alderman M. Harris said the structure was a temporary one, and the council at every meeting gave permission to private citizens to make deviations in regard to temporary buildings.

Alderman Jessep said there seemed to be a bellicose attitude among the city fathers with the view of further straining the relations with the Government. That spirit was evidenced in the speeches made that afternoon. The building had progressed for three weeks, and the council heard nothing of it till a ratepayer made representations. It would have been better when the building was begun for the Mayor to have made representations to the Government. He did not want to have friction. They could point out to the Government what representations had been made, and ask the Government to stay its hand. In the meantime they could find out their legal position.

Alderman J. Harris denied that there was a bellicose feeling. The council had nothing to conceal, but the beautiful committee inquiring into the tunnels had kept the press out of it. If they were acting straightforwardly, why not admit the press. A jeer had been made that they were in friction with the Government. Why did not the select committee let the press in and let the public see how they were working.

Alderman Jessep objected to Alderman J. Harris discussing the matter which was being considered by the select committee.

Alderman Lees said nothing could justify the building of such a structure in such a place. He did not see that Alderman Jessep was justified in saying there was a bellicose spirit. The council must have an understanding as to what its position was. The land in Martin-place was sold under very stringent building conditions, yet the Government put up a wooden building.

It was decided to take counsel's opinion.

AGRICULTURAL SHOW AT JERILDERIE.

JERILDERIE, Thursday.

The twenty-seventh annual show of the Riverina Pastoral and Agricultural Society came off at Jerilderie on Tuesday and Wednesday. The weather was beautifully fine on both days, and the attendance on the second day was about 2000. The society spared no expense in getting judges, Messrs. Litchfield, from Cooma, and Collins, from Albury, who judged all the classes, which were as follows:—

Grass-fed Section.—Merino ram, any age: Simpson, of Nowranie, 1 and 2; Peterson and Sargood, 3. Ram, under 18 months: G. F. Simpson, 1 and 2; Peterson and Sargood, 3. Ewe, any age: Simpson, 1; Peterson and Sargood, 2; Simpson, 3. Ewe, under 18 months: Peterson and Sargood, 1; Simpson, 2. Champion ram of this section: G. F. Simpson. Champion ewe: G. F. Simpson.

Section B.—Ram, any age: G. F. Simpson, 1; Peterson and Sargood, 2. Ewe, any age: Peterson and Sargood, 1 and 2.

Section C.—Ram, any age: George Knight, 1 and 2. Ram, under 18 months: John Pearse, 1. Ewe, any age: G. Knight, 1; J. Pearse, 2. Ewe, under 18 months: J. Pearse, 1; G. Knight, 2. Both champions in this section went to John Pearse.

Section D.—Ram, any age: Pearse, 1.

Section E.—Artificially-fed ram, any age: Peterson and Sargood, 1 and 2. Three fat merino wethers: John Glenn, 1. Three fat merino ewes: John Glenn, 1. Three fat crossbred wethers: John Glenn, 1. Three fat crossbred ewes: John Glenn, 1. Grand champion ram in yard: G. F. Simpson. Grand champion ewe: Peterson and Sargood.

Mr. Glenn, of Yathong, won all the prizes in the long-wool section.

There was a great display in the horse sections, all classes being well filled, and there was keen competition. The jumping was really excellent.

The cattle section was moderately represented, but all classes were more or less represented, Peterson and Sargood being the principal winners.

The display in machinery was first-class. The principal firms from both capitals were represented, this being apparently the testing-ground for both.

All other sections in the programme were well filled excepting garden products. Mr. John Pearse, of Argoon, carried off both the wheat prizes, beating both Berrigan and Finley exhibitors. Considering the severe season just experienced the annual show was pronounced by all a great success.

THE SULTAN AND ADEN WRECKS.

The shipping budget of news by the Massilia's mail delivered yesterday contains many references to the wrecks of the steamers Sultan and Aden. It seems that the spot on which the P. and O. steamer Aden was wrecked off the island of Socotra was the scene, 10 years ago, of the wreck of the North German Lloyd's mail steamer Oder, though in the Oder's case the vessel was not injured in such a way as to lead to the apprehension of danger, and the ordinary meals of the ship were served till the day after the wreck, when, after being nearly 30 hours upon the reef, the passengers were taken off by the steamer Cyclops. No lives were lost, but the Oder broke up afterwards. Nothing further has been heard of the boat from the Aden, containing many of the passengers and crew. With regard to the loss of the Sultan, an official inquiry was held at Colombo on the 6th instant. It was the P. and O. Company's Valetta that saved the crew and passengers from the Sultan, as may be remembered, while she was coming out to Australia last voyage. The statement of the shipwrecked master of the Sultan, Captain Collin, made at the inquiry described what took place just preceding the abandonment of the sinking steamer, and inferentially gives an idea of the kind of weather prevailing at the time the Aden was wrecked and at the time the Aden's lifeboat loaded with 70 or 80 human beings got away from the wreck in the vain hope, as it proved, of reaching the land. Captain Collin, in his sworn statement, said that on the 8th June, at midnight, the gale increased into a cyclonic storm, and at 2 a.m. on Wednesday, the 9th, she (the Sultan) shipped a sea on the starboard side which smashed all the officers' rooms. It also smashed No. 1, No. 2, and No. 3 lifeboats to pieces. At 9 o'clock the same day the after part of the main hatchway was smashed. While they were repairing it there were cross seas, and he had to keep the ship's head on to the biggest. They had not finished repairing the hatch when the steering gear got in disrepair, and they had to lay the ship to. The men secured everything about the deck, but at that time he did not think that they would see daylight. At 9 p.m. that night the main hatch was smashed in. They tried to use the pumps, but the men could not keep their feet. They kept steam on "dead slow" all night, and the next day the main hatch was smashed in for the third time. Then the ship was gradually settling down.

NATIVE FLOWERS.

The exhibition of our beautiful native flora, which has been so popular a feature in the Technological Museum at Ultimo during the last seven years, is now beginning to give evidence of returning spring. As the object of this exhibition is purely educational, the floral specimens are arranged systematically under their natural orders and labelled with their botanical as well as their popular names. The large and varied collection of native grasses is, from its economic importance, particularly worthy of notice. Conspicuous amidst the yellow splendour of the wattles are Acacia baileyana, A. decurrens, A. elongata, A. discolor, A. longifolia, and A. prominens. The graceful Boronia ledifolia, and the rose-pink B. pinnata, are worthy representatives of the Rues. Among the curious proteaceous plants are to be seen the "Red Spider flower," Grevillea punicea, and G. sericea, the Banksias, Marginata, and Integrifolia; also numerous Hakeas in flower and fruit. The epacrids are seen in great perfection, including the green flower of E. viridis, the white heath-like E. microphylla, the red "Native Fuchsia" (E. Longiflora), and the pink Sprengelia incarnata. These and many others, too numerous to mention, are, for the most part, contributed by the public of New South Wales, from whom the assistant curator (Mr. R. T. Baker, F.L.S.) is always pleased to receive and name specimens either in their natural state or dried. This collection is now used by Miss S. Hynes, B.A., in her botanical demonstration given in connection with the botany class just re-established at the college.

PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

The committee of the Women's Society met on 27th instant in the Town Hall. Present were—Mrs. G. K. Mann and Mrs. A. J. Gould (vice-presidents), Mesdames Plunkett, Plomley, Mailler Kendall, Hayden, Bignold, M'Cutcheon, Forsyth, Miss Airey, and the hon. secretary (Miss Levvy). A letter was received from the Hon. Mrs. Ferguson accepting the position of vice-patron, and consenting to a special prize being given in her name at the essay competition. The secretary affiliated the new branch of the society at Summer Hill; also the Muriel Band of Mercy at Summer Vale, Walcha. A letter from the registrar of the Transit Office stated that additional horses should be used in certain omnibuses in consequence of the committee's representations. The quarterly returns were received from various police courts, showing 39 convictions obtained by the inspectors, all for ill-used horses.

At the close of the meeting a deputation from the committee—Mrs. Mann, Mrs. Gould, and Miss Levvy—waited on the Mayor to entreat that the dogs gathered by the labourers of the municipality, and hitherto destroyed at Moore Park, should in future be destroyed painlessly in the lethal chamber at the Belmore Police Barracks. The Mayor replied that he was willing that the dogs should be thus destroyed as soon as he received intimation from the police authorities that the lethal chamber was ready for use, provided that no extra expense were incurred by him.

ASSESSMENT OF IMPROVEMENTS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—On reading the discussion which took place in Parliament on this question it seemed to me that, without exception, every member who spoke was utterly ignorant of the real question under discussion, or else was afraid to say what he knew to be true for fear of losing votes. If a lessee in dry country sinks a well without finding water, though it may have cost him hundreds of pounds, he neither asks nor receives anything from the incoming tenant. Rightly, I think, as he has made no improvement. If he sinks a dozen such wells the same rule applies, but if at the thirteenth attempt he strikes an unlimited supply sufficient to water the whole holding, would any reasonable man claim that the bore cost of the thirteenth well was all he was entitled to? Would not the reasonable contention be that he was entitled to the added value which his energy and perseverance had given to the whole holding, whatever that might be? And is not that exactly what the decision of the Land Court has determined to be the law, as it is most assuredly justice? The contention that he has only brought out something that was inherent in the land, and therefore is only entitled to the bare cost of bringing it out, is utterly absurd when generally applied. Take the case of a painter—a Millais—who brings out certain qualities in a few pots of colours and a yard of canvas, and makes a picture which has a market value of £10,000. Should the intending purchaser, who is under no compulsion to buy any more than is the incoming tenant to take up the land, be entitled to claim the picture at the bare cost of the canvas and the pots of paint? The same thing will apply to a statue. The qualities which constitute the improvement are inherent in the material as they are in the case of every improvement which men can make. I know one case in our north-west where a man sunk 19 wells and got salt water in all but one, and on that one he put a 10-horse power engine and pump, and watered tens of thousands of acres that were before waterless and absolutely valueless. Would the silliest member who took part in the discussion contend that this man, on an equitable assessment of the value of his improvements, was only entitled to the bare cost of sinking the one well in which fresh water was found? And if not is there any other ground on which an equitable assessment could be made than by taking the value added to the whole area watered as the value of the improvement made, for which the outgoing tenant is entitled to payment? I am, &c.,

July 26. W. E. ABBOTT.

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LAW REPORT.

SUPREME COURT.—THURSDAY, JULY 29.

In Banco.—(*Before the* CHIEF JUSTICE, *Mr. Justice* OWEN, *and Mr. Justice* SIMPSON.)

SIDEY V. WILLSALLEN (PART HEARD).

Mr. J. L. Campbell and Mr. Mason, instructed by Messrs. Bowman and Mackenzie, appeared for the plaintiff in support of a motion to make absolute a rule nisi for a new trial. The Attorney-General (Mr. J. H. Want, Q.C.) and Mr. Pring, instructed by Messrs. Abbott and Allen, appeared for defendant to show cause. The action, which was tried before Mr. Justice Cohen and a jury of four, was one brought by Richard William Sidey, accountant, against Thomas Polk Willsallen to recover compensation for dismissal without sufficient notice. The counts of the plaintiff's declaration were:—1, Employment for a year as clerk, &c., and dismissal before the end of the year; 2, dismissal without reasonable notice; 3, assault and battery; 4, slander; and 5, common counts for work and services as a hired servant. In his particulars, plaintiff claimed the sum of £65 in lieu of notice. The main grounds of defence were that reasonable notice was given, and that defendant was justified in dismissing plaintiff for disobedience of a reasonable order. Plaintiff recovered a verdict on the third count with damages £5, and on the fourth count with damages £10. On the first and second counts, however, his Honor directed a verdict for the defendant, and it was against this direction the plaintiff appealed, on the grounds that the direction was erroneous, and that his Honor should have left it to the jury to find whether there had been wilful disobedience by the plaintiff of the order of the defendant.

The Chief Justice, after argument, said that the Court would reserve judgment. Supposing that the Court came to the conclusion that his Honor ought to have sent the matter in question to the jury it would only be on the second count that a new trial would be ordered.

MITCHELL V. NORMAN.

Mr. C. B. Stephen, instructed by Mr. J. R. Garland (for Messrs. Heath and Mitchelmore, of Wagga Wagga), appeared for the appellant (the complainant in the Court below); and Mr. Pring, instructed by Messrs. M'Donell and Moffitt (for Mr. M. J. Walsh, of Wagga Wagga), for the respondent. It appeared from the special case stated for the opinion of the Court that George Mitchell, inspector of nuisances for the borough of Wagga Wagga, laid an information against John Norman under the provisions of bylaw 150 of the bylaws of the borough of Wagga Wagga, charging that on the 25th January, 1897, defendant propelled a bicycle upon the footway on Tarcutta-road, a public street within the borough of Wagga Wagga. The defendant pleaded not guilty, and during the hearing of the case his attorney took a number of objections, among which was one that the bylaw was ultra vires, inasmuch as the borough council had no power (statutory or otherwise) to create the offence of "propelling a bicycle on the footway," and that the bylaw was repugnant to the Act 2 Victoria, No. 2, section 15, which as amended by the Act 19 Victoria, No. 24, section 26 (Towns Police Act), inasmuch as it imposed a minimum penalty of 5s for the first offence, whereas the latter statute in the said section provided that the minimum of all fines and penalties imposed should be in the discretion of the convicting justice or justices. He contended further that the borough had no power to formulate the 150th bylaw or to reserve to itself or its officer the sole right to prosecute for the offence created by the 15th section of the 2 Victoria, No. 2 (Towns Police Act). He also submitted that the bylaw, as far as it went, really provided for the same offences as the 15th section of the Towns Police Act, 2 Vic., No. 2, and this Act being in force in the town of Wagga Wagga the penalties under the Act and under the bylaw should be the same. But the offences under section 15 of 2 Vic., No. 2, as amended by the 19 Vic., No. 24, section 26, had the minimum penalty left in the discretion of the convicting justices, whereas the bylaw fixed the minimum at 5s for the first offence. It was, therefore, submitted that the bylaw was ultra vires, as being inconsistent with and repugnant to the Towns Police Act and the amending Act. The magistrate upheld this contention, and dismissed the information. The question for the decision of the Court was whether the determination of the magistrates was erroneous in point of law.

After argument,

The Chief Justice, in delivering the judgment of the Court, said that the magistrates were in error, as the bylaw was not ultra vires. The point argued by Mr. Pring was not that anything in the body of the bylaw was ultra vires, but that it was ultra vires in consequence of the penalty not being the same as that provided for by the 19 Vic., No. 24, and was, therefore, repugnant to the 19 Vic., which provided that no minimum should be fixed, but that the minimum should be in the discretion of the magistrates. It appeared to him that the 157th section of the Municipalities Act gave express power to municipalities to make bylaws which should state some maximum and minimum penalty. And in passing this bylaw the municipality had done what it had a right to do. The question they had to consider was whether the body of the bylaw was repugnant to the statute, and the Court did not think it was. No doubt the penalties imposed by the bylaw and those imposed by the statute were different, but they were not repugnant to the statute. If the bylaw repealed some Act of Parliament or if the Act of Parliament said that a certain thing was lawful, and the bylaw said that it was unlawful, the bylaw would be repugnant to the statute, but the Court could not follow Mr. Pring's argument that the difference in penalties made the bylaw repugnant, and, as he had already stated, the 157th section of the Municipalities Act gave express power to impose a maximum and a minimum penalty. The magistrates on their own statement of the case ought to have convicted the offender of the offence charged. The Court, therefore, held that the magistrates were erroneous in point of law, and defendant must pay the costs of the proceedings.

In Chambers.—(*Before Mr. Justice* SIMPSON.)

HOURIGAN V. O'BRIEN.—THE JUDGMENT.

Mr. Kent (Messrs. Cape, Kent, and Gaden) appeared for the defendant, Joseph Ezra Herbert O'Brien, and moved for an order to set aside the writ of summons in the action Horrigan v. O'Brien on the ground that it was issued without any authority from the plaintiff, Michael Horrigan; and Mr. J. L. Campbell, instructed by Messrs. White and Wolstenholme, appeared for Mr. Henry White, attorney for the plaintiff (respondent).

Mr. Campbell asked his Honor to defer giving judgment in the matter until Mr. Birch was able to reach Sydney; but his Honor said that he had made up his mind and would not defer giving judgment.

His Honor then gave judgment. He said that in that matter, which was entitled Hourigan v. O'Brien, whereas the proper name of the plaintiff was Horrigan—a summons had been taken out by Mr. Kent on behalf of the defendant in the action calling upon Mr. White, who upon the record appeared to be the attorney for the plaintiff, to show cause before a Judge in Chambers why the writ of summons should not be set aside and delivered up by counsel, and why the praecipe therefor should not be taken off the file of the Court, and why such order or other order should not be made as to his Honor the Judge in Chambers might seem fit, upon the ground that the action was brought and the writ of summons issued without the authority of the plaintiff and upon the grounds appearing in the affidavit of the defendant sworn on the 17th July. He did not understand Mr. Campbell seriously to contend that there was no power in a Judge sitting in Chambers to set aside writ if he came to the conclusion that it had been issued without the authority of the plaintiff. There could be no doubt whatever about the power of the Judge to set aside a writ of summons in such circumstances. If any authority were needed for such a proposition the authority in the case of Messon v. Wellsby, to which Mr. Kent referred, was conclusive on that principle. That case had been adopted in our own Court in the case of the Hawkins Hill Gold-mining Company v. Briscoe (8 N.S.W. Reports). Now he had to determine whether the applicant in this case (Mr. O'Brien) had made out to his satisfaction that the writ in this particular case was issued without the authority of the plaintiff. The application was supported by the affidavit of the defendant, sworn on the 17th of this month. That affidavit set forth substantially that Mr. White had no authority to institute proceedings in the name of the plaintiff against Mr. O'Brien. The affidavit of the defendant really was based upon two statutory declarations—one made by Mrs. Horrigan, the wife of the plaintiff, and the other by Mr. Horrigan himself. In the declaration of the plaintiff he distinctly set forth that he never gave any authority for the service or the issue of this particular writ. That declaration was made on the 14th July. The same day a declaration was made by Mrs. Horrigan, in which she declared that a man named Birch called upon her shortly after an advertisement appeared in the "Sydney Morning Herald," announcing that a sale was to take place at the residence of the plaintiff at 20 Gordon-street, Paddington, under distress for rent. The distress was such that Mrs. Horrigan said it really affected some one else, but the number of her house had been inserted in mistake. Mrs. Horrigan detailed a conversation which she said she had with Mr. Birch, who she said came back again the next day, and brought the document marked "B," which was an authority from Hourigan to Mr. White to proceed in the action of Hourigan against O'Brien. That document, although it was left by Birch with Mrs. Horrigan for the purpose of being signed by Horrigan himself, was never signed by Horrigan. Mr. White had made an affidavit in the case, in which he said that this Mr. Birch came to him and told him he had been authorised by Mr. Hourigan—not Horrigan—to communicate with him and to instruct him to maintain an action against the "Sydney Morning Herald" and against the defendant O'Brien for alleged wrongs done to him. The alleged wrong said to have been done by the "Herald" was merely the insertion of an advertisement, which in the ordinary course of business he (his Honor) supposed was left to be published, and which announced, so he gathered, that a sale under distress for rent would take place on a certain day at No. 20 Gordon-street. The alleged wrong said to have been committed by O'Brien was the entry upon that house by somebody for the purpose of conducting a sale, although really nothing substantial was done. Mr. Birch had made an affidavit, in which he substantially corroborated the evidence of Mr. White. Birch said he had authority from the plaintiff to instruct White and Wolstenholme to proceed in respect of these matters, but he admitted that he advised them to consult a solicitor, and recommended them to see White and Wolstenholme. There was in the affidavit of Birch a distinct supporting of the story told by Mr. White. Mr. White, upon the initiation of that matter, appeared to have acted more prudently and more discreetly than he did at a later stage of the proceedings. Mr. White, upon the initiation of these matters, when Birch came to him told Birch he must produce an authority from Hourigan for him (Mr. White) to act upon Hourigan's behalf. And it was, he (his Honor) supposed, because of Mr. White having said that Mr. Birch went to the house of Mr. Horrigan and left with Mrs. Horrigan an authority authorising Mr. White to act in respect of the libel action, and also in respect of the alleged entry upon those premises. If that document had been sent by Mr. Horrigan to Mr. White there would have been, of course, no dispute as to the authority to Mr. White, but it was never sent. Mr. White, having acted so prudently, did not continue to act so prudently, but later on, in view of a conversation which he had with Birch, seemed to have been content to have authority from Birch, and did not then require authority in writing from Mr. Horrigan. Mr. Birch then gave Mr. White authority in writing as agent for Hourigan. That authority would be of no use whatever to Mr. White unless the agency—the authority of this man Birch to give such an authority on behalf of his principal—was clearly proved, shown. Well, matters proceeded. Mr. White stated in his affidavit that Birch was very urgent that proceedings should be taken at once, and he told Mr. White that such was the wish of Mr. Hourigan. And Mr. White, acting probably under the belief that the plaintiff was very anxious that proceedings should be taken at once and there should be no delay, did depart from what he (his Honor) had always understood to be the ordinary courtesy which was generally extended by an attorney—he did not say by all of them—to a person against whom he had received instructions to proceed. And especially was such courtesy extended—so he had always understood—not invariably but generally, to a supposed defendant when the proceedings about to be instituted were in the nature of an action for slander or libel. Mr. White, instead of extending the usual courtesy, on the 7th of July wrote to the proprietors of the "Sydney Morning Herald" a most peremptory letter to those gentlemen. He gave them no opportunity of explaining their conduct, which it was alleged amounted to libel by the simple insertion of the advertisement. He wrote in most peremptory terms:—"We have been instructed by Mr. M. Hourigan, of 20 Gordon-street, Sydney, to communicate with you respecting an advertisement which appeared in Monday's issue of the 'Herald,' setting forth that an auctioneer, named J. E. O'Brien, would sell under restraint for rent on that day furniture, &c., at No. 20 Gordon-street. Our client did not at that time nor does he now owe any rent in respect of the premises occupied by him. He is the owner of the property. The greatest negligence seems to have been displayed in publishing the advertisement. It had no connection with the premises the property of our client, yet it is made to appear that his property was being sold for arrears of rent. We need not point out the injury this is calculated to cause our client. Owing to the publication of the advertisement Mr. Hourigan has been subjected to considerable annoyance. We shall be obliged if you will send us the name of an attorney who will accept service of a writ on your behalf. An early reply will oblige, otherwise we must issue and serve the writ personally." For some reason or other no further proceedings appear to have been taken against the "Sydney Morning Herald." The courtesy of even writing a letter of that kind—scant as it was—was not extended to Mr. O'Brien at all. Without asking him who would accept service for him, a writ was served upon him personally claiming £500 in an action in the name of Hourigan, not Horrigan. And that writ was issued by Mr. White, of the firm of White and Wolstenholme, and was dated the 9th July. Now it was said by Mr. Kent that that writ was issued without any authority, and having been issued without the authority of the plaintiff, it must be set aside, and set aside with costs to be paid by Mr. White. Now the question for him to determine was, has Mr. Kent made out that this writ was issued without the authority of Horrigan? Mr. White was instructed—so he swore—by Mr. Birch, who represented to him that he had authority; and Birch said he had authority. A man named Kelly—who he was, his Honor said he did not know—he could not gather from the papers—made an affidavit, in which he said that on the 17th July he had a conversation with Hourigan, in which Hourigan told him that he had given instructions for the issue of this writ, and O'Brien had called upon him, and explained that the whole trouble arose through the mistake of a boy who was anxious to go to some football match, and owing to whose carelessness "No. 20" was inserted instead of some other number. Hourigan told Kelly, the latter said, that Mr. O'Brien expressed regret at what had taken place, and he (Hourigan), under the circumstances, had settled the action with O'Brien. That was substantially the evidence of Kelly. He was at first struck with the improbability of that man Horrigan having gone so much into detail with Kelly as Kelly alleged he had done. He (his Honor) was also struck by the improbability of Kelly being able nearly a week afterwards to relate word for word a portion, if not the whole, of the conversation which took place between him and Horrigan on the 17th instant. Kelly in his second affidavit said:—"When I had the interview with the abovenamed plaintiff, I said to Hourigan, 'What are you doing about those cases against O'Brien and the "Sydney Morning Herald," in which White and Wolstenholme are acting for you?'" The whole case for Mr. White was put in that very question. That question incorporated the whole of the case of Mr. White so far as the question of authority was concerned. Hourigan replied according to the affidavit of Kelly, "I have settled the action against O'Brien, and am not going to proceed any further with the action." Kelly also stated in his affidavit that Hourigan said to him, "O'Brien requested me not to proceed with the action against him that Birch had instructed White for me in." The whole case as far as this case was concerned was incorporated in that expression. He (his Honor) had been very much struck with the improbability of the statement embodied in Kelly's affidavit; but Mr. O'Brien himself in his affidavit, which was sworn in reply, made him much more inclined to think there was a good deal of truth, if perhaps a little exaggeration, in the statement of that of Mr. Kelly. Kelly had stated that he had had a conversation upon that subject, and Hourigan had substantially told him that the action was brought with his authority. Mr. O'Brien in his affidavit said that shortly after the writ was served upon him he went to Mr. Horrigan himself. O'Brien said, "With reference to the affidavits of Joseph Kelly it is true that I did see the abovenamed plaintiff after the writ was served upon me, to find out the real cause of action and to endeavour to settle the same if necessary, and I did settle any cause of action which he might have against me." That there was a settlement of any cause of action he might have or might be supposed to have against him was one of the statements made by Mr. Kelly as having been made by that gentleman to him on the 17th July. He (his Honor) had said that he was very suspicious of this Mr. Birch. So he was still. He was suspicious that Mr. Birch, for some purpose of his own, did encourage and incite Mr. Horrigan to take some steps against the "Sydney Morning Herald" and against Mr. O'Brien. If a man was in the habit of inciting people to commence actions in any courts of law, and if he was a stirrer up of actions in a court, he was what was known to the law as a common barrator and could be prosecuted, and punished by fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the Judge who tried the case. A common mover or inciter of suits or quarrels in Courts of Record or other courts might be punished by fine or imprisonment at the discretion of the Judge. Of course, one inciting to action would not make a man a common barrator. He had been and he was suspicious that Mr. Birch did incite those proceedings, probably in the hope that if any money had been obtained from the "Sydney Morning Herald" or Mr. O'Brien some portion of it would go to him. He seemed to have suggested the matter. But in any event he seemed to have taken a very active part in these proceedings. Mr. White, like any other attorney, was justified in acting upon the instructions of an agent in commencing proceedings. A plaintiff need not personally attend upon an attorney to instruct him to proceed with any action. Neither need he, as a matter of necessary requirement, instruct him in writing. A plaintiff might by an agent instruct an attorney to appear for him. But it was the undoubted duty of an attorney, in his opinion, when he was instructed by an agent to appear, to take proceedings on behalf of an alleged principal, to be most cautious in inquiring into the extent of the authority the agent alleged he possessed. If a dispute at any time arose between the person whose name was used in the action and the attorney as to whether the attorney was ever instructed to proceed or not, the attorney would undoubtedly go to the wall if he did not produce the authority in writing of his principal. Where there was assertion on the one hand by the principal, "I did not employ," and assertion on the other hand by the attorney, "You did employ," if the attorney could not produce an authority in writing from his principal he would go to the wall, because for his own protection he ought to procure an authority in writing. His Honor cited the judgment of Lord Cranworth on this point (N.S.W. Law Reports, vol. 9, page 301), in which Lord Cranworth said:—"Another proposition to be kept constantly in view is, that the burden of proof is on the person dealing with anyone as an agent, through whom he seeks to charge another as principal. He must show that the agency did exist, and that the agent had the authority he assumed to exercise, or otherwise that the principal is estopped from disputing it. Unless this principle is strictly acted on, great injustice may be the consequence, for anyone dealing with a person assuming to act as agent for another can always save himself from loss or difficulty by applying to the alleged principal to learn whether the agency does exist, and to what extent. The alleged principal has no similar mode of protecting his interests. He may be ignorant of the fact that anyone is assuming to act for him, or that persons are proposing to deal with another under the notion that the other is his agent. It is, therefore, important to recollect constantly where the burden of proof lies. . . . The prudent course for anyone dealing with a person acting as the agent of another is to require from the principal a distinct statement as to how far the agency extends. The person dealing with the agent has always in his own power the means of protecting himself, which cannot be said of the party sought to be charged as principal." That quotation was adopted by Mr. Justice Windeyer in giving judgment in the case of Robinson v. Tyson. Mr. White as a prudent man ought to have either insisted upon seeing the person who was alleged to be his client, or obtained from him a written authority instructing him to proceed. In the words of Mr. Justice Wightman (Hoskins v. Phillips and another):—"Although an attorney is not bound to be instructed by the plaintiff himself, yet he ought to make proper inquiries, and he must take the consequence if it turns out that the plaintiff is a non-existing person. Here the attorney, when asked for the plaintiff's address, made a statement which he should have ascertained to be correct. It may be that he has been deceived by Mr. Joseph, and that he may recover from him the amount of the costs when paid." The onus of proof that Mr. White issued the writ without authority rested upon the applicant. As a matter of fact there was no evidence before him at all to justify him in setting aside that writ. Mr. Campbell objected to the reading of the declarations, and he (his Honor) had come to the conclusion that they were not evidence in an application of this kind. They purported to be made according to the law in that behalf made. Although the declaration purports to be made according to law, it is not a declaration made according to law at all. The Act of Parliament which provides for the making of solemn declarations in lieu of oaths and affirmations is the 9 Vic., No. 9.

Mr. Kent: Will your Honor pardon me. The Criminal Law Amendment Act gives the form used in these declarations.

His Honor: That may be so, but it is not in the form given in the Act 9 Vic., No. 9.

Mr. Kent: The Criminal Law Amendment Act substitutes the form for the form of declaration in 9 Vic., No. 9.

His Honor: That may be, but I say it is not the form given in the Act 9 Vic., No. 9. I am not, however, resting my judgment on the question whether the declarations are in the form prescribed in 9 Vic., No. 9, which provided for statutory declarations in certain cases. For instance, the object of the Act was to suppress voluntary and extra judicial oaths and affidavits, and the section which provided that declarations should be substituted for oaths and affirmations in certain cases which are mentioned in the section, and which I need not particularly allude to—is section 1, and the cases there mentioned are totally different cases to the one which is now before me. Then section 9 says: "Whereas it may be necessary and proper in many cases not herein specified to require affirmation of written instruments or allegations of proof of deeds or of the execution of deeds or other matters. Be it therefore enacted that it shall or may be lawful for any justice of the peace or notary public, or other officer now by law authorised to administer an oath, to take and receive the declaration of any person voluntarily making the same before him in the form of the schedule to this Act annexed; and if any declaration so made shall be false or untrue in any material particular, the person wilfully making such false declaration shall be guilty of a misdemeanour." The declarations here were not in the form prescribed by that Act; but Mr. Kent says, and I assume that it is so, that the form in 9 Vic., No. 9, is amended by the Criminal Law Amendment Act. But I am not resting my judgment in any degree upon that fact, but principally, though not altogether, upon the fact that these declarations, assuming them to be in accordance with the form required by law, are no evidence whatever in a proceeding of this kind. There is no statute making them evidence, and for the purposes of this case they must be looked upon by me as mere waste paper. There is a statute in force in the colony which makes statutory declarations of importance when questions arise as to whether a power of attorney which has been executed has ever been revoked. That statute is the 17 Vic., No. 22, and it provides that a statutory declaration made by an attorney where there has never been any revocation of his power is conclusive evidence of the non-revocation of the power. With the exception of that statute, and the cases referred to in the Act 9 Vic., No. 9, statutory declarations are of no avail, as far as I am aware, in the Court. The matter stands in this way: Mr. Kent has failed to make out that the proceeding was instituted without the authority of the plaintiff. Then there is the further fact, that even if there was no authority in the first instance given by Horrigan to this man Birch, it appears to me that Horrigan, after becoming aware of what Birch had done, and after becoming aware that Birch professed to be his agent in order to instruct Mr. White, adopted the act of his agent. That was clear from the statement of Mr. O'Brien that after he was served with the writ he went to Horrigan and settled the case. Well, if Horrigan settled the action he ratified the act of his agent in employing an attorney to commence proceedings. Instead of saying to O'Brien "I never authorised this, and know nothing about it," he settled the action, and I might decide the matter on the ground that although there may not have been originally an authority, the action of Birch, who professed to act as his agent, was afterwards ratified by Horrigan; but I do not decide the matter on that ground alone. I am of opinion that Mr. Kent has failed to prove that Mr. White acted without authority, and therefore this application must be dismissed, and defendant O'Brien must pay the costs.

Order accordingly.

In Equity.—(*Before his Honor the* CHIEF JUDGE *in Equity.*)

WILLIS V. TROTTER AND OTHERS.

Mr. Gregory Walker, Q.C., and Mr. Gordon, instructed by Messrs. Sly, Hamilton, and Russell, for the plaintiff; Mr. Owen and Mr. Creed, instructed by Messrs. Deane and Deane, for the defendant, J. E. Moore; Mr. Lingen, instructed by Messrs. Chenhall and Eddie, for the defendant Mrs. Fanny Trotter; Mr. Kox, instructed by Mr. E. S. Deane, for Mr. William Trotter, trustee; and Mr. Garran, instructed by Messrs. Sly, Hamilton, and Russell, for Mrs. Frank Willis.

The plaintiff in this suit is a trustee in the estate of the late Edward Lummas Moore, of Badgally, near Campbelltown, and he seeks to be allowed to charge the estate with £500 commission on the ground that there was an agreement between the three trustees that, as he was performing the main portion of the management of the estate, he was to be entitled to the sum claimed as remuneration. In a previous suit, Moore v. Willis and others, Mr. Trotter was appointed a trustee in the room of Mr. J. E. Moore, who desired to retire. The plaintiff's claim is now opposed by Mrs. Trotter and Mr. J. E. Moore.

The evidence had not been concluded when the Court adjourned.

(*Before his Honor Mr. Justice* A. H. SIMPSON.)

ROSE V. ARNOLD.

Mr. Gordon and Mr. Knox, instructed by Messrs. Norrie and M'Gurran, for the plaintiff; Mr. Kelynack, instructed by Messrs. Russell Jones and Barker, for the defendant.

In this suit Robert Rose sought to have it declared that a mortgage given by him over a piece of land at Grafton had been paid off, and therefore it should be discharged. The property was originally mortgaged to Mr. Joseph Meillon, solicitor, of Grafton, as executor for the estate of the late R. B. Hills, and the question at issue is whether or not a clerk in Mr. Meillon's office, who received two payments of £50 each from the plaintiff after the death of Mr. Meillon, was authorised to do so in a way binding upon Mr. William Munnings Montague Arnold, the present trustee in Hill's estate. His Honor held that after Mr. Meillon's death Mrs. Meillon had continued the authority her late husband had given his clerk, Mr. Treadwell, to receive the instalments to be paid by the plaintiff. This decision, therefore, covered the question of the validity of the first payment. He was also satisfied that the plaintiff had established the fact that he had had no notice of the appointment of Mr. Arnold as trustee in place of Mr. Meillon. He was also of opinion that Mr. Arnold had ratified the second payment to Treadwell, and had taken security from him that it would be accounted for. Under these circumstances the plaintiff was entitled to a declaration that the mortgage had been paid off, and the defendant must execute a reconveyance to the plaintiff within 14 days from the tender of the document. The plaintiff was ordered to pay the costs.

GALE V. MAGUIRE.

Mr. Gregory Walker, Q.C., and Mr. Mann, instructed by Messrs. Thompson and Nott, for the plaintiff; Mr. Knox, instructed by Mr. W. G. Parish, for the defendant.

It appeared that the defendant in this suit, James Maguire, of Ultimo, entered into a contract to purchase from the Messrs. Crozier two mining blocks at Mount Lawson for the sum of £11,500, of which £500 was to be paid as a deposit. He entered into an agreement with the plaintiff, Walter Frederick Gale, accountant, of Paddington, that in consideration of Gale providing the £500 cash required for the deposit, he would give him a half interest in the contract. Some controversy having arisen between the parties it was arranged that the defendant should give the plaintiff one-twenty-fifth of the shares in a company about to be formed to purchase the mine, and £750 in cash. The mine with certain other properties acquired by the defendant was sold to Messrs. Martin and Robson for £1000 cash, £2000 out of the first gold obtained from the mine after deducting 50 per cent. for the expense of winning, and 15,000 paid shares in the Mount David Gold-mining Company, which was about to be floated with 120,000 shares to work the properties. The contention of the defendant is that the plaintiff is not entitled to a twenty-fifth part of the 120,000 shares, but merely to a twentieth part of the 15,000 fully paid-up shares which were received as part consideration, and that he should not receive the £750 cash until the whole of the £3000 had been received from the company.

The case stands as part heard.

In Bankruptcy.—(*Before the Registrar, Mr. A.* HENRY.)

CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS.

Re A. Coningham. It was ordered that the certificate should issue.

Re William Little. The application was struck out.

Re Hermann Haberecht. Adjourned to the 12th August.

Re Thomas Christopher Brown. Adjourned to the 12th August.

Re W. J. S. Croaker. Adjourned to the 5th August.

Re Joseph William Brown. The Registrar found that the bankrupt had failed to keep proper books and that he contracted debts without reasonable expectation of being able to pay them. The certificate was suspended for nine months from the date of the first application.

Re James Henry Gleeson. Adjourned to the 19th August.

MEETINGS AND EXAMINATIONS.

Re Percy MacKenzie. Bankrupt failed to attend, and the matter was adjourned to the 5th August.

Re Philip William Goatcher. Bankrupt, examined by Mr. Palmer, the official assignee, said that he was a scenic artist. He had never been bankrupt before. His bankruptcy was caused by the failure of theatrical ventures in the Lyceum and Palace Theatres. He came to Sydney seven years ago from America under engagement to Messrs. Williamson and Garner. He remained in their employment up to May or June, 1896, at £17 a week. He paid his assistants out of this. His net salary was £10 to £12 per week. His original salary was £15 a week and assistants found. After the bank crisis it was reduced. He had children in London and America, and had been in the habit of sending money regularly to America till lately for the maintenance of his son and daughter. He was engaged by Mr. Adams in 1895 to design and decorate the Palace Theatre. Mr. Arthur Garner came to Sydney after the Palace Theatre was started. He had formerly been bankrupt's manager. He asked bankrupt to try and arrange to start with him in some venture. Bankrupt suggested the Palace Theatre to him. Garner told bankrupt he had no money and bankrupt lent him some to get along with. Bankrupt's idea was to get an arrangement with Africa and America for bringing variety artists out, sharing the expenses. Garner agreed to the idea. Bankrupt spoke to Mr. Adams about it. Bankrupt said that he did not want more than a third of the profits. Garner was unsuccessful in borrowing money, but he made out an estimate of the cost up to the starting of the theatre. This was about £800. Mr. Adams agreed to let them have the theatre as long as they paid the rent. The rent was £65 per week. Mr. Adams agreed to advance bankrupt the amount to open the theatre. He advanced bankrupt £500 personally. It was a loan without any security. Bankrupt paid the amount to his account in the London Bank of Australia. Garner was to start through America, England, Africa, and back, engaging suitable talent. They had no written agreement. Garner was to give bankrupt a memorandum. Bankrupt gave Garner £100 for his expenses. Bankrupt had to go to Melbourne that week. He still had £400 in the bank here. He received a memorandum of agreement from Garner the day before he sailed. Bankrupt found from this that Garner had not used the £100 for his passage, but had sent it to his wife in England. Garner asked bankrupt to lend him the balance of the £500 and bankrupt sent Garner a cheque. In a letter bankrupt produced from Garner the latter mentioned certain terms which bankrupt did not agree to. Garner had to make the arrangements with artists to make a tour of the world. Bankrupt borrowed the money on the understanding that the people should not come out to them, but should sign to visit Africa and America. There was no arrangement that Garner should do anything but engage artists. Bankrupt borrowed another £1000 from Mr. Adams and sent it to Garner. Bankrupt got a cable from New York asking for money. Bankrupt borrowed the £1000 on the understanding that Garner had bought the cinematographe. Some of the artists arrived and there was no theatre available, and bankrupt made advances to the artists from his own money. Evidence was then given as to the details of certain professional enterprises, and bankrupt explained that finally he was forced to file his schedule. The examination was declared concluded.

Re Martha and Thomas Johanessen. The examination was declared concluded.

Re John Richard Fenton. The examination was declared concluded.

Re Walter Bray. Adjourned to the 5th August.

SEQUESTRATION ORDERS.

William Petty, of Temora, formerly a farmer, now a carrier. Mr. Palmer, official assignee.

William Curnow, of Dapto, fisherman. Mr. Lloyd, official assignee.

John Corney, now of Bellambi, miner, lately residing at Clifton, Helensburgh, and Lithgow. Mr. Giblin, official assignee.

Charles George Bergholf, of Jersey-road, Burwood, and carried on business at 121 Clarence-street, Sydney, as wine and spirit merchant, as Bergholf and Co. Mr. Giblin, official assignee.

The estate of Michael Drew, upon petition of the Minister of Justice under the Act 60 Victoria, No. 29. Mr. Giblin, official assignee.

Jane Craig, of Sloan-street, Goulburn, widow. Mr. Lloyd, official assignee.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.—THURSDAY.

At Darlinghurst.—(*Before Mr. Justice* COHEN.)

Mr. C. G. Wade was the Crown Prosecutor.

A POSTPONEMENT.

Henry Beale, Patrick Donnelly, William Thompson, and Thomas Curran were arraigned on a charge of having maliciously wounded John Gallagher. Counsel for accused stated that in a Sunday paper an article had appeared concerning the case calculated to prejudice the trial, and a postponement was therefore asked for. The application was granted, the accused were remanded to such time and place as the Attorney-General might appoint, and bail was allowed.

CASES FOR FRIDAY, JULY 30.

Edward Mulcahy, conspiracy; Thomas Henderson, assault, occasioning actual bodily harm.

In the case of Edward J. Quigley, heard in the Central Criminal Court on Wednesday, the accused was defended by Mr. E. H. Gardner.

METROPOLITAN QUARTER SESSIONS.

THURSDAY.

At Darlinghurst.—(*Before Judge* BACKHOUSE *and juries of 12.*)

Mr. W. L. Merewether was the Crown Prosecutor.

PLEAS OF GUILTY.

The following persons pleaded guilty on arraignment:—Edward Felstead, illegally pawning (six counts); Joseph Cuttler, assault occasioning actual bodily harm; William Murray and James Conlon, burglary and larceny; William Lempcke, forgery and uttering (four charges); John Williams, George Cox, and Michael Dew, larceny; George Dunning, sacrilege; James Wilson, uttering counterfeit coin; William Smith, burglary and larceny; Richard Lawson, larceny; May Ellis, larceny.

BAG SNATCHING.

Edward Humphries, a young man, pleaded not guilty to having stolen one handbag and one purse containing £8 15s, the property of Mary Luland. On the 7th June Mrs. Luland, a widow, residing in Petersham, was driving in Surry Hills, and, drawing up in Waterloo-street, a young man came up and snatched a handbag, containing a purse and £8 15s, out of the buggy. Mrs. Luland could not positively say that it was the accused who stole the bag; but a man and a boy, who were within 20 yards of the buggy, identified Humphries as the thief. Accused was arrested by Constable Donovan, who, to prevent a rescue by his mates, had to fire a shot from his revolver. The jury, without leaving the box, returned a verdict of guilty. There were 12 previous convictions against Humphries, who was remanded for sentence.

STEALING IN AN HOTEL.

Cyril Saunders, an elderly man, was indicted on a charge of having on the 29th May, in the dwelling-house of Michael Casey, stolen £2 7s 4d, and with having broken out of the house thereafter. The money was taken from the bar of Casey's Hotel, George and Liverpool streets. The jury returned a verdict of guilty, and recommended that the prisoner should be dealt with leniently, as he was suffering from alcoholism. Saunders was sentenced to 12 months' imprisonment, and was ordered to be liberated under the provisions of the First Offenders Act.

ACQUITTED.

Peter Henry Fawcett pleaded not guilty to having on the 15th April, at Dulwich Hill, broken into the dwelling-house of George Kenny, and with having stolen therein. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty, and Fawcett was discharged.

BURGLARY.

Wm. Murray, James Conlan, and Edward Burton were arraigned on an indictment charging them with having on the 25th May, at Waterloo, at night, broken and entered the shop of John Riddell at Waterloo, and with having stolen therein three pairs of shoes and six pairs of boots. Murray and Conlan pleaded guilty and Burton not guilty. On the morning of 25th May a constable saw the three men outside of Riddell's shop. They ran away and he gave chase, capturing them after a long run. With the help of a night-watchman they were taken to the Redfern Police Station. Thereafter their names and addresses, which were alleged to be fictitious, were given and the men were released. Afterwards the window of Mr. Riddell's shop was discovered to have been broken, and the boots and shoes to have been stolen. The three men were then arrested. It was elicited in evidence that the two watchhouse constables identified Burton in the dock, and not when placed with other men; and the night-watchman, who identified him in the dock, was not able to do so when he was placed with other men. Conlan and Murray were called, and they swore that Burton was not present with them at the robbery, and he was not a companion of theirs. Burton was found guilty, and was with the other prisoners remanded for sentence.

NOT GUILTY.

Charles Coulter pleaded not guilty on arraignment to a charge of having maliciously injured a billiard-table, the property of John Judah Barnett. On the night of 29th May the cloth of the billiard-table in the Royal Hotel, Glenmore-road, was cut, and it was alleged that the damage, which was estimated at between £8 and £9, was done by Coulter. The jury said that, there being a doubt in the matter, they gave to accused the benefit of it, and found him not guilty, and Coulter was discharged.

CHARGE OF ASSAULT.

Patrick Cahill pleaded not guilty to a charge of having maliciously inflicted grievous bodily harm upon Pauline Philip.

The jury found accused guilty, with a recommendation of mercy, and Cahill was remanded for sentence.

CASES FOR FRIDAY, JULY 30.

William Thompson, larceny, &c.; William Oggley, burglary; William Standen, stealing; William Gleeson, stealing in dwelling; Charlie Sing, being found at midnight with housebreaking implements.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—FRIDAY, JULY 30.

Term List (St. James'-road, Sydney).—At 10 a.m.: Motions generally; motions on notice, in re Harold Edward Colless and the Crown Lands Act of 1884, 1889, and 1895, for leave to appeal to the Privy Council. Motions, &c.: Dean v. Railway Commissioners; ex parte Spencer William Bates, prohibition; ex parte George Britt, prohibition; ex parte Albert Lewis Manning, prohibition; ex parte William Alison re J. P. Chapman, prohibition; ex parte same re J. Skelly, prohibition; ex parte same re J. Glennan, prohibition; ex parte same re Wm. M'Carthy, prohibition; ex parte same re L. Lawson, prohibition.

In Equity, before his Honour the Chief Judge.—At 10 a.m.: Motions generally—Dawson v. Dardanelli, motion for injunction; Australasian Incandescent Gas Light Company v. Isitt, motion to continue injunction; Harvey v. Heathes, motion for decree; re will of F. Wilson, deceased, and Trustee Property Act, petition for advice; Duncan v. Duncan, motion for decree; Meyer v. Simeonitti, motion for order for repayment; Stanton v. Zions, motion for decree; Osborne v. Vaigel, motion for order to deliver up possession. Before his Honor Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson.—At 11 a.m.: Gale v. Maguire, part heard.

Master's Office.—At 10 a.m.: Lunacy. At 2 p.m.: Company matters. At 3 p.m.: Moss v. Moss, to settle minutes of order; City Bank v. Pulle Carrying Company, Limited, to settle draft bond; Marsden v. Campbell, to settle minutes of decree. Before the Deputy Registrar.—At 11 a.m.: Coker v. Coker, adjourned taxation; same v. same, adjourned taxation; same v. same, adjourned taxation. At 3 p.m.: Re Statham (deceased), adjourned taxation.

Chamber List.—At 9.30 a.m.: Booker v. Slocombe, (Stephen and another, garnishees).

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Prothonotary.—Chenhall v. Leslie, 2.30. Before the Chief Clerk.—Mare v. Mare, 10.30; re G. R. Whiting, 12.

Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy.—At 11: Henry Field v. John Mountney, hearing of creditors' petition. Examinations under Section 30.—George Robert Whiting, Patrick Mooney.

Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy.—At 2.10: Francis Woodward, taxation.

Probate Jurisdiction.—Before the Registrar.—At 11: To proceed on accounts in the following estates:—Julia Collins, Bethia Wright. At 2.15: Arthur Rankin.

POLICE COURTS.

Thefts.—At the Central Police Court yesterday Mr. Johnson, S.M., sentenced Matthew Phillips (18) and James M'Gregor (17) to three months hard labour for stealing, in company, an albert and case of a watch, valued at £1, belonging to Richard Shepherd.

Assaulting Constables.—Jessie Nicholls, 20, a native of Queensland, was convicted at the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. G. W. F. Addison, S.M., of drunkenness, of the use of indecent language, and of assaulting Constable G. W. Allen, whilst in the execution of his duty. Fines of 20s were imposed for each of the first-named offences, and for assaulting the constable the accused was sentenced to one month's imprisonment, with hard labour. At the Glebe Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Smithers, S.M., Robert Smith, aged 26, was charged with having used obscene language in Booth-street, Leichhardt, on Saturday night last, for which he was ordered to pay a fine of £3, in default two months' imprisonment. The accused was further charged with having on the same occasion assaulted Constable Oscar Miller by biting him on the hand, also kicking him on the legs. He was ordered to be imprisoned on this charge for one month, the sentence to be cumulative with the one imposed for using the bad language.

Charges of Assault and Window-breaking.—A blacksmith named John M'Enerney, 28, appeared before Mr. Addison, S.M., at the Water Police Court yesterday, and pleaded guilty to assaulting Sydney Flukes, a night porter at the Hotel Australia. Accused was fined 20s, in default 21 days' gaol. On a further charge of breaking a glass window at the Hotel Australia, doing damage to the extent of £20, M'Enerney was committed for trial at the next Darlinghurst Quarter Sessions. According to the evidence accused broke a fine stained-glass window with a bone which was produced in court, and when arrested a piece of blue metal was found in his pocket.

Theft from a Shop.—At the Glebe Police Court yesterday, before Mr. Smithers, S.M., Ada Akin, aged 28, was charged with having stolen two nightdresses of the value of 16s 8d, the property of Messrs. Grace Brothers. The accused, who pleaded guilty, was seen on Wednesday night to enter Grace Brothers', drapers, of Broadway, Glebe, and make some purchases. She had a baby in her arms. As she left the shop she stole the nightdresses, and secreted them under the child's dress. She was ordered to pay a fine of £1, in default 21 days' gaol.

Shipping Robberies at Mort's Dock.—Yesterday at the Balmain Police Court, before Mr. F. W. Edwards, S.M., a young man named Peter Edmonds, with a lad named Robert M'Cullough, on remand, were charged in company with stealing at Mort's Dock and Engineering Company, Limited, a silver dish cover, a silver spoon, two dozen tins of sardines, one dozen tins lobster, half-dozen tins herrings, two bottles of fruit, one dozen bottles of pepper, five bottles of sauce, 12 tins of cocoa, 18 bars of soap, and three rugs, valued in all at £6 10s, the property of Captain Ernest Henry, of the steamship Archer. Captain Henry, master of the steamship Archer, gave evidence as to having seen the prisoner Edmonds prowling round the ship's stores and he was cautioned and sent off the wharf. He identified the rug (produced) as the property of the registered owner of the ship (Mr. Henderson). The steward of the vessel gave corroborative evidence of identification, and Thomas Daly, a licensed pawnbroker, stated that the younger accused pawned the rug with him and gave the name of "Smith." M'Cullough gave evidence stating that he met the prisoner Edmonds in the vicinity of the dock, but did not steal any of the goods. Edmonds pressed him to pawn the rug, but received the whole of the money obtained through the pledge. The prisoner Edmonds said that the younger accused was not present with him when the robbery took place. M'Cullough was severely cautioned, and upon representations made on his behalf a fine of £1, in default 21 days imprisonment, was inflicted. In the case of Edmonds Sub-inspector Boyd handed in a list of convictions against him, including some for stealing. He was ordered to be imprisoned for six months, with hard labour. On a second count Peter Edmonds was charged with stealing a saw, a brace, 10 bits, and four chisels, valued at £1 10s, the property of Alexander Easton. On this charge the prisoner also pleaded guilty and was sentenced to a further term of imprisonment for one month, with hard labour.

THE CITY RAILWAY.

A HYDE PARK TRUSTEE EXAMINED.

THE DANGERS AND DIFFICULTIES OF REDFERN STATION.

The inquiry into the expediency of extending the railway system of the colony from Redfern into the city, and the proposal to erect a large central station in the north-western division of the park, fronting St. James'-road, again engaged the attention yesterday of the members of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works. The members present were Messrs. Ewing (chairman), Fegan, Hassall, Lee, Farnell, Wright, H. Clarke, and Black, Ms.L.A., and Messrs. Humphery, Hoskins, D. O'Connor, Roberts, and Trickett, Ms.L.C.

The Hon. James Norton, LL.D., M.L.C., president of the trustees of Hyde Park, was examined respecting the proposal to take 10 out of the 40 acres of Hyde Park for the purposes of a large central railway station. Whilst admitting that it would be an admirable site for a station, at the same time he strongly condemned the proposal on the ground that it would seriously interfere with a valuable recreation reserve, in addition to which the trees and shrubs of the park would be destroyed by the smoke and soot from the locomotive chimneys.

Mr. Fegan: What is your objection to 10 out of the 40 acres of Hyde Park being used for railway purposes?

Witness: Because once a portion of the park is taken for railway purposes it is only a question of time when the whole of it will be sacrificed.

The Railway Commissioners propose to give 16 acres of land at the Benevolent Asylum and Devonshire-street cemetery as a recreation ground for the 10 acres of Hyde Park, and as 30,000 people reside around the Benevolent Asylum and cemetery, as against 15,000 around Hyde Park, would not a recreation ground at the Benevolent Asylum and cemetery be more valuable than the 10 acres of Hyde Park taken for the railway?

Witness: Your figures may be correct as to the residential population around the two places, but Hyde Park is used by such a large number of people in the city and from the eastern suburbs that it can easily be seen that Hyde Park would be the more frequented.

If the Railway Commissioners or the Government gave an undertaking that no more than 10 acres of the park would be taken, would your objection to the railway there disappear?

Witness: No doubt, it would lessen my objections; but I cannot conceive it possible to give a guarantee that would bind the future.

Mr. Hassall: Do you consider it desirable to extend the railway into Hyde Park?

Witness: Personally, such a railway would benefit me, but I am not prepared to say that the encroachment on the park would be compensated for by the railway.

Mr. Roberts: Have you formed an estimate of the number of people who use the park?

Witness: Some years ago Sir Alfred Stephen when a trustee had men stationed at the different gates of the park, and it was found that 40,000 people entered and left the park in a day. That is to say, 20,000 people entered it and 20,000 left it during the day.

Was that an accurate tally?

It would be difficult to say, but I am sure it was a close approximation to the actual number of people who used the park in a day.

Would you, in the event of a railway being proposed along the western side of the city to Circular Quay, object to the grounds of Government House and part of the Domain being used for railway purposes?

Witness: I should be very reluctant to part with any of those lands for such a purpose, but, of course, if the land were required for a railway I could not persist in my objections.

David Kirkcaldie, Chief Traffic Manager of the New South Wales Railways, said he would not assert that the Redfern railway station was dangerous, but the traffic became so congested at busy times that it was most difficult to handle. To show how the traffic had increased it was only necessary to state that in 1877 only 80 trains entered and departed from Redfern in the 24 hours; 11 years afterwards the number increased to 363 independent trains and engines; in 1897 the number increased to 561 on ordinary days. Last Eight-hour Day 701 independent trains and engines were passed through the Redfern railway station, and altogether apart from shunting. On the 22nd June last 681 trains and engines were handled in the 24 hours, 324 of them being passed through the station between 4 p.m. and 1 o'clock on the following morning. Twenty years ago there were only two platforms, now there were 11, but still they found at certain hours of the day they were inadequate to meet the rush of traffic. He took it the time had come when relief would have to be found somewhere else.

The Chairman: Is that imperative?

Witness: Yes; on an ordinary day the signals and points worked from the signal-box make 8000 movements, and last Easter Monday 11,000 movements were made.

And all these operations must increase in the future?

Witness: Yes; hence Redfern must be dealt with soon.

Would the extension of the railway to Hyde Park remove the difficulties at Redfern?

Witness: Yes, entirely.

Would an extension of the Redfern station into Prince Alfred Park be of any use to you?

Witness: I do not view such a proposal with satisfaction, because it is only putting off the day when another station must be provided. An expenditure of a large amount of money by erecting a new station on the site of the Benevolent Asylum and Devonshire-street cemetery is to be deprecated, because the expenditure would not earn an additional penny of revenue. On the other hand, if you bring the railway into Hyde Park you not only remove the difficulties at Redfern, but give the public greater conveniences, and the work will earn additional revenue from the start.

Will it be necessary in the future to take more than 10 acres of Hyde Park?

Witness: No, because an enormous traffic can be handled on 10 acres.

At this stage the committee adjourned to the following day.

LANDS OFFICE DAY.

The applications for land yesterday were principally under the conditional purchase system, and owing to the condition of residence having been increased by the Act of 1895 to 10 years in connection with holdings under this tenure, these applications must be considered as helping to achieve the great aim of all land legislation, namely the settlement of a permanent residential population on the land. Ten years' residence, the Minister points out, is evidently no drawback where a man intends to put the provisions of the land laws to their proper use and make a home for himself and his family. Judging from the numerous inquiries at the Information Bureau during the last few weeks respecting lands available on Thursday next for homestead selection and settlement lease, intending selectors, no doubt, hope to secure blocks suitable for their requirements on that day; and as there will be no less than 273 homestead blocks containing 171,355 acres, and 59 settlement lease farms comprising 211,404 acres available, there is every prospect that a goodly number will be satisfied. Further details of the transactions yesterday are as follows:—Homestead selections at Windsor, 1 block, 40 acres; at Hillston, 1 block, 40 acres; at Coonabie, 1 block 48 acres; original conditional purchases, 11 applications, comprising 1003 acres; additional conditional purchases, 4, containing 946 acres; conditional leases, 9 for 3452 acres; and 1 homestead lease of 2560 acres.

SHORTHANDWRITERS AND TYPISTS' SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of the above society was held on the 28th instant at Quong Tart's rooms. The Hon. W. H. Pigott, M.L.C., presided.

The election of office-bearers was as follows:—Hon. W. H. Pigott, M.L.C., president; Mr. Bruce Smith and Mrs. D. E. Armitage, vice-presidents; Mr. W. Morison and Miss Vieusseux, secretaries; Mr. W. Edge, treasurer; Miss Church, Mr. King, Mr. Renshaw, Mr. Dunn, Miss Wearne, Mr. E. Pybus, and Miss Cooper, councillors; Mr. W. Edge, registrar; Miss Cooper and Mr. G. Walker, reporters.

Mr. Bruce Smith delivered an address on the advantages to be obtained from the society, after which followed a programme of music in which the following kindly rendered their assistance:—Messrs. E. G. Aitken, A. J. Griffiths, and Morgan, and Miss L. Bowmaker.

SYDNEY AND SUBURBAN CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY, LTD.

The first meeting of the newly-elected committee of the Sydney and Suburban Co-operative Society, Limited, was held on Wednesday evening. The chief items of business were arranging for guarantees by the officers, which it was decided to fix at £100 each for treasurer and secretary on the security of a policy in one of the guarantee societies. It was also decided that a suitable reception be given to Mr. Fairbairne, the representative of the English Wholesale Co-operative Society, Limited, who is expected to reach here within a few days.

GOULD'S TINY TONIC LIVER PILLS BRING

BRIGHT EYES, CLEAR HEAD, PURE BLOOD, AND RENEWED LIFE.

A CHIPPENDALE RECOVERY.

DOCTORS FAIL, BUT GOULD'S PILLS CURE.

"About 35 years ago," said Mrs. Gilbert, proprietress of a snug little grocery business at 87 Abercrombie-place, Chippendale, Sydney, "I began to have some very distressing symptoms of ill-health. My stomach would become distended, and a sour, bitter stuff would keep coming up into my mouth. I had terrible pains in my right side and back, and at times I suffered from terrible bursting headaches. After a while my circulation became very bad, and my limbs would become numb and limpless. Doctors differed as to the cause. One said I had Bright's disease, another dropsy, another said it was congestion of the liver. Sometimes my kidneys would act involuntarily, and again the pains in my back would become so unbearable that I could not sleep. About this time we moved from the old country to Sydney, and all the way out from England I was sick, and instead of the voyage doing me good I was in bed when we anchored. This was 13 years ago. Since then the sufferings I have gone through are beyond description. The coldness and loss of life in my legs continued to get worse, and at times I would lose all power to move them until they were thoroughly rubbed and the circulation restored. Sometimes I would be standing at the edge of a table and start to walk away, and my legs would utterly refuse to act. Again, I would wake up at nights and would have to call someone to rub my body before I could move. My digestion at this time was in a terrible state, and I was continually vomiting up some bitter stuff and belching wind, and at times my head would feel as if the ceiling was pressing down on it, and I felt as if I was suffocating and must be taken into the fresh air, and my heart would flutter and a cold feeling would come over me like death. I often thought I would be stricken with paralysis, so numb and limpless would my limbs become. I have consulted some of the best physicians in Sydney and at home, have also attended the Prince Alfred Hospital, Sydney, but only to get ease for a time. Patent medicines and everything I have tried with the same results, until a few weeks ago my son brought home some Gould's Tiny Tonic Liver Pills, which I resolved to try. I followed the directions very closely, with the result that I have derived such benefit from them that I feel energetic, full of life, and have lost all that drowsy, listless feeling—in fact, I feel years younger, my appetite has increased, and I fully enjoy my meals, and I may say that I feel like a new woman through and through.

"Would I object to have this published? No! I should like to let every sufferer in the world know what I owe to Gould's Pills." The representative on taking his leave of Mrs. Gilbert could not but marvel to himself that this woman, after suffering so many years and trying so many things, should be cured by these small little objects (Gould's Tiny Tonic Liver Pills are little larger than a pin's head), and he came to the conclusion that if a miracle had not been wrought, a great deal of suffering had been saved, and that if the world at large only knew of this great preparation we should have much healthier and happier men and women.

WHITE-FACED GIRLS.

Girls who have a white pasty skin, and who are troubled with dizziness, buzzing in the head, loss of appetite, &c., and who are troubled (as so many girls are in this country, from 15 to 21 years of age), will find a cure in this great specific. GOULD'S TINY TONIC LIVER PILLS taken regularly for a few weeks will carry off all the waste matter from the system, and instead of a couple of days every month being spent in misery, happiness and health will be restored, and the cheeks will regain their healthy colour.

INFLUENZA CURED.

From present indications we are about to have another siege of the influenza epidemic that has annually visited Sydney for some years past. Now, to escape this dread visitor Gould's Tiny Tonic Liver Pills will be found of great service, as Mr. Thos. Rowe, of 130 Darby-street, Newcastle, can testify. Mr. Rowe was suffering from a severe liver trouble for which he was taking Gould's Pills. A Newcastle "Times" reporter hearing that he had been cured of his liver trouble after doctors had failed, interviewed him, and in the course of conversation Mr. Rowe said that he was taken badly with influenza about the time he commenced taking the pills, but that they cured the influenza as well as his liver trouble. Gould's Tiny Tonic Liver Pills are the great modern cure for all digestion troubles, debility, influenza, female weakness, pale and sallow complexions, and all the results of excesses, such as fast living, over-eating, over-working, and living an unnatural life of any kind.

CONSTIPATION.

Gould's Tiny Tonic Liver Pills, acting on the bowels and liver, restore these organs to their natural action, and at the same time dissolve the clogged secretions, producing a natural action. Constipation is very prevalent at this season of the year, and to all sufferers Gould's Tiny Tonic Liver Pills are to be thoroughly recommended. The bowels kept well open, Influenza, Rheumatism, Lumbago, Sciatica, and some other disagreeable cold-weather ailments will be escaped. Gould's are small pellets, that are specially adapted to delicate women and children. If when you need Gould's Pills your chemist has something just as good, make your purchases elsewhere. In putting up a doctor's prescription, that chemist would probably substitute some drug that was just as good (only cheaper), and possibly endanger your life.

Gould's Tiny Tonic Liver Pills for Influenza, Indigestion, Dyspepsia, Fulness after Eating, Sour Stomach, Heart Palpitation, Liver Troubles, Constipation, Piles, Loss of Appetite, and Kidney Complaints are an undoubted specific. Pale and sallow faces, pimples and face sores, female irregularities, general weakness, lame back, lack of energy and ambition, &c., &c., will also become things of the past after they are used.

To obtain Gould's Tiny Tonic Liver Pills go to your nearest Chemist or Storekeeper, or apply to the Australian Branch of the E. A. Gould, Sons, and Co., Box 1204, G.P.O., Sydney, who will forward, post paid, on receipt of price in stamps or Post Order, one bottle for 1s 6d, or half-a-dozen for 7s 6d. When you purchase Gould's Pills, see that every bottle bears the signature of the Proprietors, E. A. Gould, Sons, and Co.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—July 29.

Bella, barque, 341 tons, Captain P. M. Williams, from Kaipara. E. F. Broad, agent.
Tagliaferro (s.), 1308 tons, Captain Strom, from Newcastle. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.
Dovedale (s.), 2821 tons, Captain Dudley, from Port Kembla. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.
Maitland (s.), 880 tons, Captain Coogan, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S. S. Company, agents.
Tekapo (s.), 2439 tons, Captain H. Sams, from Newcastle. F. W. Jackson, agent.
Maranoa (s.), 806 tons, Captain C. A. Thorpe, from Burketown, via ports. Passengers—Mrs. Tiddy and 2 children, Mr. and Mrs. M'Lean and maid, Mr. H. O'Connor, Mr. M'Donald, Mr. P. Brennan, also 8 for Melbourne, and 4 in the steerage. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.
Kallatina (s.), 680 tons, Captain Magee, from Grafton 28th July. Passengers—Mrs. Marcolino, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Duffy, Misses Punch (2), Davies, Laycock (2), Burkhardt, Duffy, Sutter, Johnson, Messrs. C. J. Lowenthal, W. R. Bird, C. Young, S. Marcolino, J. Gibson, F. Gallagher, G. H. Wood, G. Seggons, A. Benton, R. Wilson, and 3 second-class. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.
Burrawong (s.), 391 tons, Captain R. Taplin, from Macleay River 28th July. Passengers—Mrs. Barnes, Miss Beck, Messrs. Barnes, Skidmore M'Ateer, Master M'Hugh, and 2 in the steerage. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.
Elingamite (s.), 2584 tons, Captain A. H. Thorpe, from Melbourne 27th July. Huddart, Parker, and Co., Limited, agents.
Eurimbla (s.), 1055 tons, Captain James Grahl, from Rockhampton 23rd July. Passengers—Mesdames Murphy, Rev. J. W. Grove, and 6 in the second cabin. North Coast S. N. Company, Limited, agents.
Illawarra (s.), 522 tons, Captain Garde, from South Coast. Illawarra S. N. Company, Limited, agents.
Bullarra (s.), 1725 tons, Captain J. Sim, from Melbourne 27th July. G. S. Yuill and Co., Limited, agents.

DEPARTURES.—July 29.

Tekapo (s.), for Launceston, via Eden.
Pacific (s.), for Fremantle, via Port Kembla.
Solingen (s.), for Newcastle.
Estrella, barque, for Tonga.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—July 30.

Nineveh (s.), for Capetown and London, via ports; Maranoa (s.), for Normanton and Burketown, via ports; Elingamite (s.), for Melbourne; Macleay (s.), for Richmond River; Burrawong (s.), for Macleay River; Coraki (s.), for Manning River; Rosedale (s.), for Port Macquarie; Illawarra S. N. Company's steamers for Wollongong, Kiama, Shoalhaven, Clyde River, Nelligen, Bateman's Bay, and Ulladulla; Sydney (s.), for Newcastle; Balmain (s.), for Newcastle.

CLEARANCES.—July 29.

Solingen (s.), 2874 tons, Captain Tampke, for Newcastle.
Pacific (s.), 2822 tons, Captain F. Marshall, for Fremantle, via Port Kembla, in ballast.
Tekapo (s.), 2439 tons, Captain H. Sams, for Launceston, via Eden. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Yuill 2 children and maid, Mrs. Jolly, Mrs. Cathcart, Mrs. Jackson, Miss Grubb, Miss Jolly, Miss Fitzgerald, Miss Maddox, Messrs. Stanley, W. H. Parker, G. Lloyd, S. Grosman, Wood, and 4 steerage.

COASTERS OUTWARDS.—July 29.

Sea Flower, schooner, Captain N. J. Ivory, for Tweed River, via Newcastle; Enterprise, ketch, Captain F. Simonsen, for Tweed River, via Newcastle; Liffey, schooner, Captain A. Von Barn, for Richmond River; Annie Bow, schooner, Captain W. Lackey, for Wollongong; Loch Lee, schooner, Captain D. Murray, for Wollongong.

IMPORTS.—July 29.

[A special charge is made for consignees' notices in this column.]

Burrawong (s.), from Macleay River: 2084 bags maize, 8 bags turnips, 63 cases eggs, 1 cask tallow, 10 coops poultry, 59 hides, 73 cans cream, 1 keg 76 boxes butter, 57 pigs, and 14 packages sundries.
Kallatina (s.), from Grafton: 541 bags maize, 13 bags peas and beans, 41 bags pumpkins, 26 bags potatoes, 2 bales skins, 121 casks tallow, 864 hides, 12 quarters beef, 181 cases eggs, 4 cases fruit, 11 cases fish, 158 boxes 12 kegs butter, 1 crate 1 bag bacon, 11 coops poultry, 6 girders, 47 hogsheads molasses, 2 horses, 80 pigs, and sundries.
Bella, barque, from Kaipara: 28,820 pieces sawn timber.
Larnaca (s.), from Adelaide: 440 bags flour, 25 tanks malt, 100 boxes raisins, 36 packages stores.
Fiona (s.), from Auckland: 2500 bundles sacks, 30 tons machinery, and sundries.
Eurimbla (s.), from Brisbane: 90 bales wool, 40 tierces tallow, 21 bags quartz, 220 cases syrup, 78 bags sugar, 42 cases pines, 28 bags sweet potatoes, 10 cases preserved meats, 30 kegs beef, 12 tons galvanised tubes.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: July 29, Allinga (s.), Burwah (s.), Barrabool (s.), from Sydney; Wodonga (s.), from Cooktown, via ports. Departures: July 29, Annie, for Sydney; Karaweera (s.), for Cairns, via ports. The Teinan (s.), from Hongkong to Sydney, via ports, called at Moreton Bay to-day.
MARYBOROUGH.—Departure: July 29, Konoowarra (s.), for Brisbane.
GLADSTONE.—Arrival: July 29, Ranelagh (s.), from Brisbane, via ports.
TOWNSVILLE.—Arrival: July 28, South Australian (s.), from Brisbane.
NORMANTON.—Arrival: July 28, Warrego (s.), from Brisbane, via ports.
YAMBA.—Arrival: City of Grafton (s.), from Sydney. The schooners M. A. Doran, Yolande, and Lady Robinson are ready for sea.
NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: July 29, Darius (s.), from Melbourne; Balmain (s.), Sydney (s.), Sophia Ann (s.), Alice (s.), Lady Mabel, Garron, Ocean Rover, schooners, Tillie E. Starbuck, ship, Saxonia (s.), from Sydney. Departures: July 29, Tagliaferro (s.), for Melbourne, via Sydney, with 1600 tons coal; Age (s.), for Melbourne, with 3263 tons coal; Loch Cree, barque, for Antofagasta, with 1173 tons coal; Kosciusko, barque, for Honolulu, with 1595 tons coal; Empire, barque, for San Francisco, with 1289 tons coal; Fifeshire, barque, for Valparaiso, with 2010 tons coal; Tekapo (s.), for Launceston, via Sydney, with 700 tons coal; Amy Moir, Jane Muirhead, Mary Laurie, ketches, for Camden Haven; Active, for Cape Hawke; Laura, Joker, ketches, for Port Stephens; Lindus (s.), for Adelaide, with 2180 tons coal; Elingamite (s.), for Melbourne, via Sydney, with 2400 tons coal; Sophia Ann (s.), Western (s.), Balmain (s.), Jessie Sinclair, ketch, Nellie, Jones Brothers, schooners, Sydney (s.), for Sydney.
GABO ISLAND.—Passed: July 29, Andania (s.) at 1.30 p.m., north; Peregrine (s.) at 3 p.m., west; Norkoowa (s.) at 4 a.m., Gulf of Venice (s.) at 12.10 p.m., Alagonia (s.) at 1.30 p.m., south; Tambo (s.) at 3.30 p.m.
MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: July 29, Massilia, R.M.S., from London; Arrawatta (s.), from Cooktown; Era (s.), from Adelaide; Sagami Maru (s.), from Hongkong. Departures: July 29, Pateena (s.), for Launceston; Barrier (s.), for Sydney.
ADELAIDE.—Arrival: July 29, Time (s.), from Newcastle. Departure: July 29, Culgoa (s.), for Melbourne.

(FROM THE BOARD AT THE TELEGRAPH OFFICE.)

TWEED HEADS.—Passed: July 29, Barrabool (s.) at 7 a.m., north.
RICHMOND HEADS.—Arrival: July 29, Tomki (s.) at 9.30 a.m., from Sydney. 12ft. on bar and 8ft. on inside channel at high water. Departure: July 29, Oakland (s.) at 8.15 a.m., for Sydney. Passed: July 29, Aramac (s.) at 2.40 p.m., and Perthshire (s.) at 4 p.m., north.
CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrival, July 29, City of Grafton (s.) at 6.25 a.m.
WOOLGOOLGA.—Arrival: July 29, Trilby (s.) at noon, from Sydney. Passed: July 29, Tyrian (s.) at 1 p.m., south; Taiyuan (s.) at 3 p.m., north.
BELLINGER HEADS.—Departure: July 29, Rosedale (s.) at 8 a.m., for Sydney.
NAMBUCCA HEADS.—Arrival: July 29, Euroka (s.) at 8.30 a.m., from Sydney.
TRIAL BAY.—Departure: July 28, Burrawong (s.) at midnight, for Sydney.
SMOKY CAPE.—Passed: July 28, Wyoming (s.) at 1.10 p.m. and Taiyuan (s.) at 1.10 p.m., north; Leura (s.) at 5 p.m., south.
TACKING POINT.—Passed: July 29, Wyoming (s.) at 7.45 a.m., Sarah Fenwick (s.) at 9.45 a.m., and Taiyuan (s.) at 9.55 a.m., all north.
CAMDEN HAVEN.—Arrival: July 29, Defender, ketch, at 7.30 a.m., from Newcastle.
CAPE HAWKE.—Departures: July 29, Shannon, schooner, and Forest Queen, ketch, at daylight, bound south.
SEAL ROCKS.—Passed: July 29, Burrawong (s.) at 9.30 a.m., south; Franklin (s.) with lighter Aps in tow at 2.45 p.m., north.
PORT STEPHENS.—Passed: July 29, Burrawong (s.) at 12.30 p.m., Kallatina (s.) at 12.40 p.m., and Eurimbla (s.) at 1.30 p.m., all south.
LAKE MACQUARIE.—Arrivals: July 28, Progress, ketch, Edith May, ketch, Mary Davis, ketch, and Defender, ketch, during night, from Sydney. Departure: July 28, Betsy, ketch, during night, for Sydney.
CATHERINE HILL BAY.—Departure: July 28, Illaroo (s.), during night, for Sydney.
BARRANJOEY.—Departure: July 29, Hawkesbury (s.) at 5.45 p.m., for Sydney.
BELLAMBI.—Arrivals: July 29, Currajong (s.) and Malcolm, schooner, at 5 a.m., from Sydney.
WOLLONGONG.—Arrival: July 29, Illawarra (s.) at 2 p.m., from Kiama.
PORT KEMBLA.—Arrival: July 29, Brisbane (s.) at 9 a.m., from Bellambi.
CROOKHAVEN HEADS.—Departures: July 29, Illawarra (s.) at 8 a.m. and Coomonderry (s.) at 11.30 a.m., for Sydney.
JERVIS BAY.—Passed: July 29, Bullarra (s.) at 1.45 p.m. and Menmuir (s.) at 5 p.m., north.
BATEMAN'S BAY.—Arrival: July 29, Peterborough (s.) at 9.10 a.m., from Sydney. Departure: July 29, Peterborough (s.) at 5.30 p.m.
GREEN CAPE.—Passed: July 29, Andania (s.) at 3.45 p.m., north; Peregrine (s.) at 4.15 p.m., north.
GABO ISLAND.—Passed: July 29, Norkoowa (s.) at 8.45 a.m., Alagonia (s.) at 1.30 p.m., Gulf of Venice (s.) at 2.10 p.m., all west; Tambo (s.) at 3.30 p.m., south.
HOBART.—Departure: July 28, Oonah (s.) at 9.15 p.m., for Sydney.
DAVENPORT (TAS.).—Arrival: July 29, Easby (s.) at 8.20 a.m., from Melbourne.
PORT PIRIE (S.A.).—Departure: July 28, Thornley (s.), for Newcastle.
FREMANTLE (W.A.).—Departure: July 29, Barcoo (s.), for Sydney.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

Departures: H.M.S. Goldfinch, for Raratonga; Argyle (s.), for Melbourne.

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THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.
Victoria.—Overland, 5.30 and 7 p.m.
Queensland.—Overland, 4.45 p.m.
Clyde River.—Bega, 9 a.m.
Port Macquarie.—Rosedale, 11 a.m.
Manning River.—Coraki, 11 a.m.
Richmond River.—Macleay, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Brisbane.—Peregrine, 1 p.m.
Honolulu, Canada, United States of America, United Kingdom, and Continent of Europe.—C.-A. s.s. Aorangi, 2 p.m.
Wellington, &c., N.Z., and Fiji.—C.-A. s.s. Aorangi, 3 p.m.
Clarence River.—Kallatina, 8 p.m.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 9.30 p.m.
Strahan, Zeehan, and West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Grafton, 9.30 p.m.
Mauritius, Madagascar, and Reunion, via Melbourne, Gulf of Venice, 9.30 p.m.

MONDAY.

Eden.—Allowrie, 11 a.m.
Honolulu, United States of America, Canada, United Kingdom, and Continent of Europe.—A. and A. s.s. Mariposa, 2 p.m.
Auckland, &c., N.Z. (direct).—A. and A. s.s. Mariposa, 3 p.m.
United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per Austral, 4.30 p.m.
R.M.S. Austral (Letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Austral, 5.30 p.m.
Richmond River.—Tomki, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY.

New Britain.—Maruma, 11 a.m.
Bateman's Bay and Nelligen.—Peterborough, 2 p.m.
Launceston and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Pateena, 7 p.m.
Clarence River.—City of Grafton, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

Singapore and Sourabaya.—Solingen, 10 a.m.
Eden.—Bega, 11 a.m.
Hobart and Launceston.—Oonah, 11 a.m.
Auckland, &c., N.Z., direct.—Westralia, 3 p.m.
Lord Howe and Norfolk Islands.—Oscar Robinson, 3 p.m.
Western Australia, Natal, Capetown, and Teneriffe, via Melbourne.—Nineveh, 5.30 p.m.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Thursday.

Average annual rainfall for 38 years, 49.852.
Average for 39 years from 1st January to 30th June, 30.742.
Total rainfall from 1st January, 1897, to 29th July, 30.271.
Sydney standard barometer at 9 a.m., 30.450.
Temperature.—Maximum, 60.9; minimum, 45.8.
Humidity.—9 a.m., 94; 3 p.m., 71.

STATE OF BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon, 30.01; Esperance Bay, 29.77; Eucla, 29.81; Streaky Bay, 30.07; Adelaide, 30.20; Robe, 30.19; Portland, 30.22; Melbourne, 30.31; Wilson's Promontory, 30.35; Gabo Island, 30.27; Cape St. George, 30.32; Sydney, 30.46; Newcastle, 30.48; Port Macquarie, 30.51; Clarence Heads, 30.47; Brisbane, 30.39; Rockhampton, 30.30; Mackay, 30.23; Cooktown, 30.09.

SYNOPSIS AT 9 A.M. BY MR. H. C. RUSSELL, GOVERNMENT ASTRONOMER.

New South Wales.—Cloudy to showery on the north coast, elsewhere fine and clear.
New Caledonia.—Overcast at Gomen, fine but cloudy at Noumea.
Western Australia.—Cloudy to showery in southern districts, fine in northern.
South Australia.—Fine and clear generally or scattered clouds.
Victoria and Straits.—Cloudy on the coast, fine and clear inland.
Tasmania.—Generally fine.
Queensland.—Fine and clear to fine, but cloudy generally, threatening to raining on the coast.
Central and Northern Australia.—Fine and clear generally.
New Zealand.—Fine and clear throughout.

RAIN HAS FALLEN IN THE PREVIOUS 24 HOURS TO 9 A.M.

Western Australia.—Light to heavy generally in the south-western districts.
Queensland.—Light and scattered on the coast. Cape Moreton, 0.23; Cooktown, 0.01; Geraldton, 0.42; Mackay, 0.12; Maryborough, 0.06; Richmond, 0.04.

RIVER REPORTS AT 9 A.M.

Albury, 3ft.; Balranald, 2ft. 7in.; Bingara, 5ft. 6in., falling; Bourke, 11ft. 11in. above and 4ft. 4in. below weir; Brewarrina, 1ft. 8in.; Euabalong, 6ft. 6in.; Euston, 10ft. 11in.; Forbes, 2ft. 4in.; Goodooga, low; Gundagai, 4ft. 9in.; Hay, 2ft.; Hillston, 1ft.; Louth, 6in.; Manilla, low; Menindie, 10ft. in.; Mogil Mogil, 4ft. 8in., rising fast; Mungundi, 7ft. 8in., rising; Muswellbrook, 3ft., falling; Pooncarie, low; Tilpa, low; Tocumwal, 7ft. 4in.; Wagga Wagga, 5ft. 8in.; Wentworth, 8ft. 3in.; Wilcannia, 2ft. 1in., falling; Yetman, 12ft., falling; Barwon River at Walgett, 7ft., rising; Namoi River at Walgett, 4ft., rising.

9 P.M. OBSERVATIONS.

Fine and clear generally; cloudy at few places on the north coast.

COASTAL WEATHER REPORTS AT 9 P.M.

Tweed Heads, S.S.E., fresh, cloudy, sea moderate; Byron Bay, calm, cloudy, sea smooth; Ballina, S., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, S.S.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Woolgoolga, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, S., light, fine, sea moderate; Nambucca Heads, S.S.E., light, fine, sea moderate; Macleay Heads, E., light, fine, sea moderate; Port Macquarie, S.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Manning Heads, calm, cloudy, sea moderate; Seal Rocks, E., light, cloudy, sea slight; Port Stephens, N., light, fine, sea smooth; Newcastle, N.E., light, cloudy, sea smooth; Lake Macquarie Heads, S.E., light, dull, sea smooth; Catherine Hill Bay, S.E., light, dull, sea smooth; Barranjoey, E.N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; South Head, E.N.E., light, sea fine, sea smooth; Wollongong, N., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Kiama, N.E., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Crookhaven Heads, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, N., fresh, fine, sea moderate; Ulladulla, calm, fine, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Moruya, N.E., fine, sea smooth; Eden, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Green Cape, N.E., light, fine, sea slight; Gabo Island, N., light, fine, sea slight.

FORECASTS ISSUED AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales.—Northerly winds inland, on the coast N. to E., weather generally fine. The rain storm reported yesterday in Western Australia is moving rapidly eastward.—H. C. Russell.
Victoria.—Generally fine, with light to fresh northerly winds, but likely to become cloudy and unsettled shortly; moderate sea.—P. Baracchi.
South Australia.—Barometers falling and weather becoming unsettled, with rain and fresh to strong winds; squally weather developing on coast line; northerly winds at first, ultimately shifting to westerly.—C. Todd.

SPECIAL FORECAST OF AUSTRALIAN WEATHER BY MR. CLEMENT L. WRAGGE.

New South Wales.—Showers on the north-eastern coast districts, but generally fine inland; conditions will soon become unsettled in the south-west and Victorian border, with some rain, under the influence of the northern edge of "Ardath;" sea moderate.
Western Australia.—Very unsettled, with considerable rain and squalls between north-west and south-west in all the southern districts, with rough seas under the disturbance "Ardath;" generally fine north from Geraldton.
Northern Territory.—Cloudless skies will continue, prevailing winds S.E., but monsoonal disturbance north from Port Darwin.
South Australia.—Generally fine and frosty during the early future, but "Ardath" will cause squalls, rain, and unsettled weather, with rising seas within two days. Vessels bound towards the Leeuwin specially advised.
Queensland.—Showery and squally from south-east in the coast districts, with rising seas; generally fine but cloudy inland. We have some indication of the existence of a monsoonal disturbance over the Arafura Sea.
Victoria, also Tasmania.—Moderately fine, but occasional showers between Melbourne and Hobart; north-westerly winds and very unsettled weather will, however, very shortly set in. As the disturbance "Ardath" makes easting it will cause considerable rain within the next few days, and rising seas. Shipping advised.
New Zealand.—Weather finer, under strong squalls from between south-west and south-east.
New Caledonia.—Heavy showers.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR JULY 30.

Sun rises at 6.49, sets at 5.13; Moon, 7.11 a.m., 5.38 p.m.; Mercury, 7.48 a.m., 6.21 p.m.; Venus, 3.50 a.m., 1.56 p.m.; Mars, 8.40 a.m., 8.4 p.m.; Jupiter, 8.26 a.m., 7.54 p.m.; Saturn, 12.9 p.m., 1.43 a.m.
New Moon, 29th; Full Moon, 14th.
High water at Fort Denison, 8.40 a.m., 8.56 p.m.

TO-DAY'S PAPER.

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The formal business having been disposed of in the Legislative Council yesterday, Sir Julian Salomons continued his speech on the motion that the House should go into committee on the Commonwealth Constitution Bill.

At the conclusion of his speech the debate was further adjourned.

In the Legislative Assembly the adjournment of the House was moved to draw attention to "the failure of the Government to snag the Darling River." After a long debate the motion was negatived.

The further consideration of the Commonwealth Bill was proceeded with in Committee of the Whole, the committee sitting till a late hour.

Mr. G. H. Reid has arrived in New York. The steamer by which he travelled made a splendid run from Liverpool.

Sir Hugh Nelson, Premier of Queensland, was on Tuesday presented with the freedom of Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, his native place.

In replying to the address, Sir Hugh said that Queensland did not desire representation at Westminster, and was not prepared to submit to Imperial taxation.

It would be better, he thought, for the home Government to consult the colonies at large upon any Imperial question affecting their interests.

Bal Gangadhar Tilak, a member of the Council of the Governor of Bombay, and editor of the "Kesari," a native newspaper, has been arrested on a charge of inciting disaffection among the natives.

Several Brahmins have also been arrested on a similar charge.

Two wealthy Brahmins have been arrested at Poonah for inciting to sedition, and their property has been attached by the Government.

Intense excitement prevails among the natives in consequence of the arrests.

The captain of a Dutch vessel reports having sighted something like a balloon floating in the White Sea on the 17th instant.

It is conjectured that the balloon is that in which Herr Andree, the Swedish aeronaut, left Danes Island, Spitzbergen, on the 11th of July, on his voyage towards the North Pole.

Miss Ida Steward, of Melbourne, aged 13 years, has passed the examination of the Royal College of Music, London.

Germany demands that the Powers should exercise a direct international control over the revenues of Greece and their assignment for the payment of the war indemnity and the interest on the public debt.

The Ambassadors in Constantinople are consulting their respective Governments upon the matter.

In the course of an interview the Marquis Ito, Premier of Japan, stated that the differences between Japan and the United States over the annexation of Hawaii by the latter country had been exaggerated by the newspapers. He declared that there was no cause for uneasiness.

Later reports from India state that Colonel Meiklejohn, commanding the Malakand Brigade, which was recently attacked by a force of Chitralese, will be able to repel any further attack by the tribesmen.

He will assume the offensive when the reinforcements from Bengal reach Malakand. The tribesmen are poorly armed.

The Canadian Government has decided to reserve every alternate placer gold-mining claim in the Yukon River district, British Columbia, in the interests of the public revenue.

Mr. W. P. Reeves, Agent-General for New Zealand, has written a letter to the "Times" in reference to the complaint made to the effect that the New Zealand Seamen's Act compelled British shipowners to pay local wages, despite the conditions of the contracts they had entered into.

He explains that the operation of the New Zealand Shipping Act is limited to New Zealand vessels and those trading on the coast.

Mr. Cameron, the New Zealand Government produce expert, gave evidence on Wednesday before the select committee appointed by the House of Commons to inquire into the marking of foreign produce.

He emphasised the importance of Government inspection and grading of produce, which he said insured the high quality of New Zealand produce. He denounced the statements of Mr. Digby, M.P., as to the quality of colonial produce.

Live importations from foreign countries ought, he suggested, to be prohibited from being sold as British, and all colonial produce ought to be called colonial, and marked to show the country of origin.

Mr. Digby, M.P., said he would withdraw the statements he had made to the effect that the use of colonial frozen meat rendered consumers liable to cancer and other diseases, and declared that he was sorry if the colonies were injured thereby.

It is the intention of the committee to report in favour of the Agricultural Produce Marks Bill, providing that all colonial produce should be marked "colonial" and that from other countries "foreign." The committee is also in favour of all live and dead meat imported from abroad being marked.

The evidence given by the colonial experts impressed the committee.

J. H. Board, of Gloucestershire, has joined the English Eleven which is being organised by Mr. A. E. Stoddart for the Australian tour.

This selection has given great satisfaction to W. G. Grace, the captain of the Gloucestershire County Eleven.

The Australian baseball team defeated a London team on Wednesday by 21 runs to 8.

In the first three innings the game was very closely contested, no scoring being done by either side, but in the fourth innings the Australians established a lead, despite the excellence of the English play.

The "New York Herald" states that Great Britain has occupied the island of Palmyra, in the Pacific, which Hawaii claims as a dependency.

According to a telegram from Washington the United States Government has explained that the island was occupied by Britain nine years ago.

The fire on board the steamer Gulf of Martaban, which put into Albany, has been extinguished. The vessel is aground with 25ft. of water in her hold. Much of the cargo has been spoiled.

Fraser's Victorian Fuse Igniter Company has been formed in London with a capital of £50,000, of which £15,500 will be issued in shares for public subscription.

There was a moderate business in investments in the Stock and Share market yesterday, prices generally remaining firm. New South Wales Funded (Act of 1892) again brought 113.

In the Import market the month is closing very quietly so far as wholesale transactions are concerned, but very actively in distributing orders. No material change can be reported.

Only slightly more business was transacted in the Mining market yesterday. Broken Hill Proprietary shares were depressed in consequence of the low price of silver.

The Customs revenue received yesterday amounted to £5208.

Falling Eastern Exchanges and heavy speculative sales are depressing the London silver market.

So far as it is now possible to judge, the decision of the Select Committee of the Legislative Assembly on the subject of the telephone tunnels to continue to hold its sittings in private condemns the proceedings to a result of mere futility. The method of investigating in private allows opportunity and provides cover for proceedings of a character which publicity would operate to check. But apart from this the condition of secrecy defeats the chief purpose for which the Committee was appointed. The Committee, it will be remembered, had its origin in statements and counter statements respecting the construction of the tunnels. In these allegations the question whether the imperfection of the work was due to the system of dispensing with a contractor was to some extent involved. It is at any rate the case that this question was the cause of some acrimony being imported into the discussion of the subject. Then came the interference of the City Corporation and the additional and perhaps unnecessary heat which was thus introduced. In this complicated shape the whole subject was remitted to the Select Committee for the purpose of conducting an investigation which might supply Parliament and the public with materials for judgment. And the hope was that with the full sifting which the matter was to receive, and the full information to be made public, there would be no difficulty in determining as to the merits of the dispute. Since the subject was thus referred the desirability of the public being put in a position to satisfy itself on the matter has been increased by sensational statements being made in Parliament bearing in some degree on the same question.

Well, what is the present probability of the Committee serving the purpose for which it was appointed? The public, perhaps, would rate that probability at a very low figure. Nothing that can be learned of the proceedings of the Committee tends in the direction of increasing the estimate. There is no guarantee that the inquiry is being held in such a way as to give effect to its purpose or value to its results. Moreover, the public, whom it was desired to satisfy, is left in the dark as to what is being done. The evidence being taken may be valuable or it may be worthless. The public knows nothing of its quality and nothing of its purport. It will never know anything on the subject. In due time, that is to say when the matter is half forgotten, the Committee will bring up its report. This in all probability will be of the ordinary select committee type, and will receive the ordinary amount of attention. In any case, it will merely represent the opinions of the members of the committee, or a majority of them, upon the evidence brought before them. This, however, is a matter in which the public can only be expected to take a languid interest. What it would wish to know is the evidence itself. But the evidence will be published, too. It will be published in a way which is equivalent to its interment. A thick blue book, containing, perhaps, some hundreds of pages of closely-printed evidence, will be printed at the Government Printing Office, and will be read as a whole by scarcely a single human creature. The report nobody will attach any importance to, the evidence will be made public in a form tantamount to its suppression, and the whole proceeding will serve only to smooth the way of the subject of the telephone tunnels to oblivion. If this was the object sought, it will doubtless be attained; but what other object can be attained it is difficult to conceive.

This is not the way in which inquiries are held into matters in which the public takes a strong and genuine interest. It is not in this way that the South Africa Committee of the House of Commons conducted its proceedings. That inquiry dealt with questions touching the honour of the nation, and it would have been but a mockery to hold it in private. When the credit of our system of railway management was at stake we had two inquiries proceeding simultaneously, and both were open to the public. The subject was too important to be trifled with, and it would have been an affront to the self-respect of the community to close those investigations to the public, for whose satisfaction they were held. The country knows how to insist on and to secure publicity when the issue is one in which it takes a deep concern. The present inquiry probably is not viewed in this way. It began with the politicians, and perhaps little harm will result in leaving it wholly to them to deal with. No value can attach to the outcome thus educed, but this will not matter. Those conducting the inquiry show by their method of proceeding that they do not consider the subject to be of any concern to the public. The public probably will extend its indifference to the report when it is reached.

Mr. Goschen's statement in introducing the supplementary naval estimates shows that the Admiralty is not in the mind to rest placidly on its achievements. The review at Spithead last month demonstrated what the available strength of the navy is, and what a formidable instrument it must become in the settlement of any question affecting the world's peace. So magnificent a result was not arrived at without entailing enormous expenditure, and early in the year the First Lord announced in the House of Commons that the amount required for the current twelve months would be slightly under twenty-three millions sterling. We get some practical idea of the meaning of such figures when we remember that they represent more than twice the whole yearly expenditure of this colony, and it seems only necessary to put the matter in that way to show how disproportionate any possible naval tribute of ours could possibly be to the whole naval estimates for Great Britain. This subject seems to have attracted some attention during the recent Jubilee festivities, if we may judge from the frequent references to it made by the Premiers of the respective colonies. Some stress was laid on the circumstance that the Cape had made a timely offer of a completely equipped battleship to England, and there seemed to be an impression that the example thus set was one that might have been fittingly followed by other of the colonial dependencies. This, no doubt, was what suggested our Premier's remark that the gift in question would undoubtedly be welcome, since the Cape gave all the trouble. Australia did not trouble England, he went on to explain, and though the colonies do not make donations of battleships, in ten years we have given in interest the equivalent of several warships. All the colonies willingly pay their share of the expense of maintaining the Auxiliary Squadron meanwhile, and, as Mr. Reid reminded his hearers, this colony has spent half a million sterling in providing the finest naval base perhaps outside England.

It can hardly be said with fairness, therefore, that we have not shown a practical interest in what is being done to secure the sea-power and make British ships the preponderating force on the high seas. If the United Kingdom has to protect its trade-routes and food-supplies as a condition of its existence, these colonies have sufficiently urgent patriotic motives to see the contract well carried out. In the recently published "Life of Admiral Tryon" was explained at some length the importance of the commission given to that officer to establish the Auxiliary Squadron, and the stress laid by the authorities on the advantage of willing co-operation on the part of the colonies. Admiral Tryon succeeded in his mission, being cordially assisted by the Ministry of the day, and it is not likely that the compact then entered into will be suffered to break down. But all this dwindles into comparative insignificance beside the gigantic preparations now afoot to perfect the naval strength of England. The four new line-of-battle-ships to be commenced this year, the four armoured cruisers, and the torpedo-boat destroyers will add largely to the modern effectiveness of the navy. One of the first-named is to be built on the lines of the Majestic, flagship of the Channel squadron. The Canopus, the model of another of the new ships, was laid down in February last at Portsmouth. The very modernness of these new ships reminds us of the rapid development of discovery and improvement in the construction of ships of war. Recent authorities have been pointing out in the most discomforting way how advances made from day to day quickly tend to put even the leviathans of a few years ago out of fashion. Thus it is mentioned how in ships like the Benbow, the Howe, and others, the quick-firing armament has scarcely any protection, and could never be used in battle without appalling loss. Then the Inflexible, once the wonder of naval armament, is described as still mounting the antiquated muzzle-loaders of 1876, "which ought long ago to have been relegated to the museum." But against this it has to be remembered that the whole subject of naval armament has developed wonderfully, even in the last ten years.

Are we to witness still greater changes in naval construction and armament? It may be that the great ships of to-day, the Majestics, the Renowns, and the Royal Sovereigns, with their displacement ranging up to 16,000 tons, and capable of throwing a hail of metal that might crush a mountain, will in time find themselves superseded by other and newer types. A naval expert of prominence, writing recently, predicted that posterity may ear-mark the Jubilee review of 1897 as the funeral ceremony of the gigantic ironclad, just as that of 1887 closed the period of the wooden hull, and that of 1878 saw the last of the old line-of-battle ships. Whenever the implements of war attain their most absolute perfection, this writer reminds us, history shows that a transformation in kind is at hand. It is true enough that experience is with him in this; but Mr. Goschen's supplementary estimates have effectually overset his calculations in one particular. His prediction that the increase in displacement of our ships had reached a limit, and that a reaction had begun, can at best be said to be only partially borne out by the event. In battleships, he argues, we are building smaller vessels than the Majestic, but the statement just cabled to us shows that one at least of the four new line-of-battle ships to be commenced this year will be of the same type as the Majestic. The Jubilee review statement showed six such ships, while four of the type of the Royal Sovereign displace 14,600 tons with all coal and stores on board, the Renown coming between the two types. These are followed by six older battleships of the Benbow era, four still older of the Thunderer period, with four cruisers of the first-class and thirty-nine protected cruisers. Yet it may be true enough that the day of the leviathan is passing. Submarine navigation is now a practicable thing, and the greatest ship afloat is powerless against the shock of a well-placed torpedo. Even aerial navigation is not merely a matter for fiction of the Jules Verne order, and perhaps neither of these things is more wonderful in itself than the contrast between the Majestic of to-day and the old three-decker in which Nelson established beyond dispute England's command of the sea.

In classifying the colonies in reference to the subject of representation in the Senate of the Commonwealth, New South Wales and Victoria are grouped as the larger colonies and all the others as the smaller ones. And the interests of the two larger colonies are assumed to be identical upon that point. But while the New South Wales Assembly decided by an overwhelming majority against the principle of equal State representation in the Senate, the Assembly of Victoria has by a substantial majority decided the other way. The question was fairly raised by Mr. Higgins, a member of the Convention, and was fully discussed from the point of view of principle and from that of expediency. The majority of the Assembly were evidently influenced by the stand taken by Mr. Isaacs, the Acting Premier. In the Convention Mr. Isaacs strongly opposed equality of representation in the Senate, and argued that, though that price might have to be paid for federation, the principle was one to be protested against. He now retains the same views as to the objectionable nature of the arrangement, but has satisfied himself that federation cannot be obtained without accepting it. The majority of the House took the same view, and voted in favour of accepting the compromise rather than refuse federation.

Those members of the Assembly who represent districts interested in the navigation of the Lower Darling combined to urge on the Government the necessity of snagging that part of the river, and in particular of taking the opportunity of a low river for carrying forward the work. There was some amount of cross purposes between the members and the Minister for Works over the question of the best time for carrying on the work, whether when the river was high or when its bed is nearly dry. Probably the Minister was not uninfluenced by the reflection that if the subject could be postponed to a time when the river is high and suitable for navigation the snag question would for the time disappear altogether. It is easy to see that the Government is in a difficult position in this matter. On the one side it has the responsibility of providing means of communication for all parts of the country. On the other it is the custodian and trustee of the State railways, and has the responsibility of making these pay. This object is not aided by the execution of costly works of river improvement, the effect of which is to facilitate the conveyance of goods to the trade routes of another colony. This consideration is not an absolutely decisive one; but it is impossible to deny its weight, and the Government would fail in its duty were this not recognised. The same embarrassment sometimes arises in regard to the expenditure of money for the clearing of the bars to the rivers to the north. In this case also the Government is asked to expend money for the object of creating a waterway to compete with the State railways. In due time, no doubt, the settlers on the barred rivers and the population of the Lower Darling will get their legitimate claims attended to; but if in the meanwhile some hesitation and delay be exhibited, it is easy to explain this as the result of the conflict of opposing demands.

THE GOVERNOR OF NEW ZEALAND.—Captain Fairchild and his well fitted-up steamer Tutanekai were in much demand yesterday among New Zealanders in Sydney, many of whom went off to the Government steamer during the day. The stay of the Tutanekai in port promises to be very short, as the new Governor and his family are expected to arrive here by the Warrimoo to-morrow, and it is thought that they will at once embark for Wellington, where preparations are being made to give Lord Ranfurly a public reception.

LAND TAX VALIDATING BILL.—It is understood that the Government will probably introduce the Land Tax Validating Bill in the Legislative Assembly next Wednesday.

PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD INQUIRIES.—Now that the report of the Public Service Board respecting the inquiry into the Marine Board has been completed, the board will have more time to devote to the inquiry into the management of the Metropolitan and Hunter District Water and Sewerage Board. In connection with the former investigation the Public Service Board has already taken a considerable amount of evidence; but the inquiry has been greatly interrupted owing to the board having to carry on the current work of its department. That the board has its hands fully engaged is shown by the fact that since the beginning of the year it has conducted 20 formal inquiries, in addition to three Royal commissions.

THE TELEPHONE TUNNELS.—The select committee appointed to inquire into the statements made with regard to the telephone tunnels did not sit yesterday, and will not meet again till next Wednesday. The only development in connection with the matter yesterday was a reference made at the meeting of the finance committee of the City Council. In the Legislative Assembly last night Mr. Lyne presented a petition from Mr. George M'Credie, consulting engineer and architect, asking to be allowed to be represented by counsel or personally before the select committee, with the right to call evidence and to examine and cross-examine witnesses that may be called. The petition was referred to the committee.

THE MILSON'S POINT RAILWAY LANDSLIP.—The landslip which occurred on the Milson's Point railway line as the result of the recent heavy rains has shown the possibility of further landslips occurring under similar conditions at those points of the line where the cuttings pass through rock having smooth or greasy faces, or where the walls are not sloped. In order to avoid the possibility of future accidents the Railway authorities have, the secretary (Mr. H. M'Lachlan) states, arranged to have the overhanging rocks or earthworks removed, and the cuttings where the slides have occurred trimmed so as to render it impossible for landslips to take place.

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS.—Although the conditions are well known to the candidates there seems to be a good deal of misapprehension in the mind of the public in regard to the Public Service examinations for junior clerks. These examinations are really of a dual character, being both qualifying and competitive. Hitherto the competitive aspect of the examinations has not come into play, as fewer candidates have qualified than there are positions to fill; but this condition of affairs is not likely to continue for any length of time. In order to qualify, candidates have to get a minimum of 60 per cent. of the highest number of marks in the four subjects of handwriting, dictation, composition, and arithmetic, and in addition they must get a total in all subjects of not less than 1500 marks. If more than the required number fulfil these conditions then the competitive element comes in. At the last examination there were 50 vacancies to be filled, but only 37 candidates succeeded in qualifying by passing in the four compulsory subjects and gaining the total of 1500 marks. Arithmetic and handwriting were the subjects in which the greatest weakness was displayed. The standard of handwriting was not high. Out of a maximum of 400 marks allotted for this subject very few candidates got 300, and only one got 320 marks, and this candidate failed in other subjects. It may be mentioned that in England on account of the very great number of candidates the qualifying is separated from the competitive examination, candidates having first to pass a preliminary examination in the qualifying subjects. In this way a large number are weeded out and the work of the competitive examination is greatly simplified. It is learned that although it was estimated there would be 50 vacancies to be filled up during the present year, there are at present only 22 vacancies available for the 37 successful candidates. It is anticipated, however, that as the year goes on further vacancies will occur, and this will permit of the remaining 15 candidates being absorbed.

POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR MONDAY.—Monday being a bank holiday the following arrangements will be observed in the Postal and Electric Telegraph Departments:—The mail branch of the General Post Office will be open for public business as usual, but the clerical branches will be closed. No business will be transacted at the Money Order Office and Government Savings Bank. The Electric Telegraph Office will be open from 9 a.m. until 10 a.m., and from 6 p.m. until 8 p.m.; but for the convenience of persons having urgent telegraphic business to transact officials will be in attendance at the Telegraph Inquiry Office, George-street, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. All city, suburban, and country offices will be closed between the hours of 10 a.m. and 6 p.m., but those usually open after 6 p.m. for telegraph business will be open from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Mails will be received and despatched and letter-carriers' deliveries made as usual, and due provision otherwise made to prevent any public inconvenience.

RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS' INSPECTION.—The Railway Commissioners leave Sydney this morning on a tour of inspection of the Illawarra Railway line, and will return this evening.

CRACKS IN THE GENERAL POST OFFICE BUILDING.—In regard to the statement made in the Legislative Assembly on Wednesday by Mr. Price that several serious cracks had been disclosed in the façade of the General Post Office, and the implied inference that they were of a dangerous character, it may be stated that there are some cracks visible, but they disclosed themselves a long time ago, and in no way interfere with the stability of the building. The Postmaster-General lost no time in requesting his colleague the Minister for Public Works to depute a competent officer of his department to make an inspection of the structure. The request was complied with, and Mr. Young states that the officer has sent in a preliminary report as the result of his inspection. It states that no importance need be attached to the appearance of the cracks, as they are of considerable age, and occur at the junction of the old and more recently erected portions of the building. "As a matter of fact, the cracks are simply due to the shrinkage of the new from the old material. The officer will make a more extended report, the present one being sent in in order to show there is no cause for alarm. The Postmaster-General states it is absurd to think that the cracks have any connection with the telephone tunnels, because the foundations of the buildings are 20ft. below the tunnels. The only opening made in the basement was a small one, 3ft. or 4ft. in diameter, to allow of the drums of the telephone cables being taken into the tunnel.

THE CHAMBER OF MANUFACTURES AND THE FACTORIES ACT.—The Minister for Labour and Industry, in compliance with a request from the New South Wales Chamber, has consented to receive a deputation from that body respecting certain sections in the Factories and Shops Act which the Chamber considers should be amended. The interview is appointed to take place at 12.30 p.m. on the 4th of next month.

DESTRUCTION OF RABBITS.—The announcement in telegrams from Queensland that chicken cholera is giving satisfactory results as a method of destroying rabbits in the northern colony, and that it is much cheaper than phosphorus, and quite harmless to stock, is being noted with a good deal of interest by those concerned in the work of rabbit-destruction in this colony; but, so far, the adverse report of the royal commission appointed here some years ago to inquire into the merits of chicken cholera as a rabbit-destroyer, has prevented any official action being taken in this colony. Meanwhile the Lands Department, which has charge of the work connected with the rabbit pest in New South Wales, has received from the Victorian Government an account of some experiments in that colony which show that in the composition of the phosphorised pollard generally used for poisoning rabbits salt may with advantage be substituted for sugar. The proportion which has been found to give the best results is one pint of salt to 5lb. of pollard. Hitherto the sugar used is stated to have been the most expensive item in the composition of this poison, and it is estimated that a saving of over 50 per cent. will be effected by the substitution of salt in place of sugar.

SCRUB-CUTTING ON THE BOGAN.—In consequence of next Monday being a bank holiday the ballot for the seven gangs of men who are to be sent scrub-cutting on the Bogan will not take place until Tuesday, and the men will be despatched to the scene of operations on Wednesday. Five other gangs from the country districts, which are to be engaged on similar work, will be chosen—one of them at Muswellbrook, two from Newcastle, and one each from Goulburn and Bywong.

MARRICKVILLE SEWERAGE SCHEME.—Mr. M'Lean, M.L.A., yesterday received from the Works Department a reply in answer to an inquiry made by him on the previous day regarding the drainage of the lower portions of his electorate, setting forth that the Minister for Works has accepted a tender for the supply and erection of the pumping plant in connection with the low-level sewerage of portions of Marrickville. The time for the completion of the contract is 12 months.

THE WEATHER.—Very fine weather was general yesterday throughout the colony, though if the cyclone reported on Wednesday in Western Australia keeps a fairly straight track in its easterly course, the pleasant change experienced here will be of short duration. Already it is on the borders of South Australia, and Mr. Russell says it is a fast-moving depression, and it may be predicted that New South Wales will be within the sphere of its influence by to-morrow, and that the prospects preponderate on the rainy rather than the fine side for Saturday and Sunday's weather. Just eight northern coastal stations were having a sprinkle yesterday morning about the Manning, Macleay, Richmond, and Tweed, while inland the country was enjoying the effects of the recent rains. The weather is rather severe as to temperature in some parts of the country; frosts and fogs are plentiful. Yesterday at Tenterfield they had 7° below freezing-point, down south at Nimitybelle 5° under freezing, Kiandra 17° below, Bombala 5° below, and Cooma the same. The highest temperature recorded yesterday in the colony was at Scone, 78° in the shade.

THE FLAGSHIP.—The Orlando, with the Admiral on board, left Cape Moreton yesterday afternoon for Sydney, and will probably be here to-morrow forenoon.

MAILS AND MAIL STEAMERS.—The Massilia's mails were yesterday delivered in the city, and the steamer will arrive on Sunday morning. At Brindisi the Massilia took on board 77 passengers, and there were shipped 2500 bags of mail matter. The Massilia is in command of Captain L. H. Crawford, C.B., R.N.R., and as an instance of the increasing numbers of Royal Naval Reserve officers on board the liners, it is of interest to note that aboard the Massilia there are seven, exclusive of the commander. The whole of the deck officers have qualified for the Reserve, and so has the chief engineer. In the Massilia's passenger list from Brindisi to Sydney are Mr. Connibere and Mr. Pilkington. The English mail steamer now due at Albany is the Orotava, whose arrival may be notified at any moment. On Monday at 1 p.m. the P. and O. Company will despatch the Arcadia hence homeward. In the outgoing list are Mr. W. G. Stenson and Mr. G. Russell, for Brindisi; also Mr. F. J. Curtis, of the London Bank of Australia, who is going home to occupy a position on the London staff of the bank. The Canadian mail steamer Warrimoo, from Vancouver, it is thought, will reach Sydney to-morrow.

THE OUTBREAK OF CHOLERA IN INDIA.—The mail steamer Massilia brings news that the outbreak of Asiatic cholera at Tuticorin in India has created a good deal of excitement in Colombo, and that when the Massilia called there extensive sheds were being erected at the quarantine grounds for the accommodation of immigrant coolies arriving from the infected port.

SALE OF CHARITY POSTAGE STAMPS.—The issue of specially designed postage stamps, the proceeds from the sale of which are to be devoted to the establishment of homes for consumptives, has proved a success. The Postmaster-General states that the stamps of the higher denomination (2s 6d) were exhausted some time ago, and that the 1s stamps are being rapidly disposed of.

DEATH OF A SHIPMASTER AND SHIPOWNER.—The English mail received yesterday brought private letters to Sydney containing the news of the death of Mr. Alexander Duthie, an Aberdeen shipbuilder and partner of the firm of Messrs. John Duthie, Sons, and Co., shipbuilders, of Aberdeen. Mr. Duthie died at his residence in Aberdeen on the 19th June. In his time he went through all the grades of the merchant service, and had at one period command of one of the Aberdeen clippers in the Australian trade. When he retired from the sea he became a partner in the shipbuilding firm of which his father was one of the founders, and had continued in the active management of the business up to the time of his death.

SUDDEN DEATH AT LINDFIELD.—On Wednesday a married woman named Annie Mary Smith died suddenly at her residence, M'Gilvery-street, Lindfield, where she resided with her husband. She complained to a Mrs. Craig, who was in the house at the time, of feeling unwell, and was put to bed, but died almost immediately. Dr. Crabbe, of Chatswood, was sent for, and on arrival pronounced life extinct.

FATAL BICYCLE ACCIDENT.—Thomas Brown (27), a steward belonging to the R.M.S. Arcadia, was riding a bicycle along Oxford-street yesterday afternoon, and while passing over a wet patch of the blocked roadway the machine skidded and fell, throwing the rider violently on to his forehead. Senior-constable Barry was passing on the top of a 'bus at the time of the occurrence, and at once went to the fallen man's assistance. A cab was procured, and Brown was driven to Sydney Hospital in an unconscious condition. Dr. W. Harris admitted Brown for treatment, and found that he had sustained a depressed fracture of the frontal bone with laceration of the brain. He succumbed to his injuries shortly after admission.

THE FATALITY AT PETERSHAM.—The death of Mr. George Kearsley, which occurred in Prince Alfred Hospital on Wednesday, and was the result of injuries received at Petersham railway station on Tuesday evening, was the subject of an inquest held at the Grose Farm Hotel, Camperdown, yesterday by the Acting Coroner (Mr. J. E. Bowden). A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

A FATAL FALL DOWNSTAIRS.—The lad Arthur Henry O'Neill (6), who was admitted into Balmain Cottage Hospital on the 24th instant suffering from injuries consequent upon a fall down a flight of stairs, died in that institution yesterday. An inquest touching his death was held in the afternoon by the Acting Coroner, and a verdict of accidental death was recorded.

VERDICT OF ACCIDENTAL DEATH.—The Acting Coroner (Mr. J. E. Bowden) yesterday held an inquest on the body of James Edward Lawler, aged 6, the little fellow whose death in the Sydney Hospital on Wednesday resulted from burns received through his clothes becoming ignited at his parents' residence, Kent-street, on Tuesday. A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

SUICIDE AT BALMAIN.—An elderly man named William Bunyan, lately residing in Elizabeth-street, Balmain, was admitted into Balmain Cottage Hospital on the 22nd instant suffering from a wound in the throat which he had himself inflicted. He died in the institution yesterday morning, and at an inquest subsequently held on his body by the Acting Coroner a verdict of suicide was returned.

THE RINDERPEST SCOURGE.—The blow inflicted on South Africa by the rinderpest must have been very terrible (remarks the London "Spectator"). It has swept Rhodesia, has annihilated the herds in Khama's country, has temporarily ruined Bechuanaland, has prostrated the farmers of the Transvaal, and has now struck Cape Colony itself with such virulence that all plans for dealing with it have been officially abandoned. It is useless to shoot down infected herds, every kind of game distributing the poison, and there is no confidence felt in any system of inoculation. The only thing to be done is to help the farmers to replenish their yards with imported stock, and with the few beasts which have escaped, and which may be presumed from some unknown cause to be free from liability. The worst of it is that as the pest descends from Central Africa, where the conditions of animal life always remain the same, there is, and can be, no guarantee against its periodical recurrence. Africa is not a nice continent. Do the herds, by the way, in South Africa get salt enough? We ask in ignorance, but it is certain that the large graminivora crave for salt, and probably in doing so obey a self-preservative instinct.

Last evening Mr. R. G. Watkins, J.P., again addressed the electors of Bondi Ward in the Waverley Municipality as a candidate for the vacant aldermanic position, now vacant at the Old South-road, Bondi. Mr. Watkins repeated at length the views already expressed.

Yesterday morning Mr. Garrard inspected the work for the unemployed now being carried out at Kensington. About 80 men are engaged on the work, and another 100 men will be given a turn at it next week. It will be finished in about a fortnight.

We are requested to state that competitive designs for the drinking fountain to be presented to Newtown by Mr. Hatte must be sent in to-day.

A meeting of the ladies interested in the annual Ashfield ball in aid of the funds of the Western Suburbs Cottage Hospital was held in the Ashfield Town Hall on Wednesday. Mrs. Albert Brown presided and Mr. Thomas Glossop (treasurer of the hospital) was also in attendance. Several ladies were added to the committee, and it was agreed to carry out the programme followed in previous years.

We have received from Messrs. Eve Brothers the sum of £10 10s for the fund of the Victoria Home for Consumptives.

At the meeting of the School of Arts Debating Club last evening the question, "That the Government are justified in carrying out their work on the day labour system, notwithstanding the recent telephone tunnels exposure," was debated in a spirited manner. Dr. Muskett presided. The debate was adjourned.

The firm of Julius Levy was among the wholesale druggists represented at the Chemists' Assistants' Ball on Wednesday evening.

An advertisement appears in our advertising columns announcing that the Mayor of Sydney has called a public meeting of the citizens in favour of the extension of the railway into the city. The meeting is to take place this evening at the Town Hall at 8 o'clock.

On Tuesday evening, 27th instant, in the Rev. R. S. Paterson's Church, Ultimo, Rev. T. W. Dunn lectured on "Matching and Mating." There was a large attendance.

A successful concert was held last night at Tattersall's rooms, Pitt-street, in connection with the Stewards of Truth. There was a fairly large attendance.

Last evening Mr. Ernest Booth, who is a candidate for the vacant position of alderman for Bondi Ward in the Waverley Council, addressed a meeting of the ratepayers of that ward at the residence of Mr. Nurse, Simpson-street, Bondi. Mr. W. T. Ball presided. Mr. Booth met with a good reception. He assured those present if elected he would do all in his power to hasten on the extension of the railway to the city in order that facilities might be obtained for the construction of a railway to the eastern suburbs, which was badly needed. At the same time he would not favour the mutilation of Hyde Park for railway purposes. He thought St. James's or Cook's Park could be better used on account of better levels. At the close of the address a vote of thanks was accorded the candidate on the motion of Mr. R. J. King, seconded by Mr. G. Richardson.

The central committee of the Rev. L. M. Isitt's temperance campaign met at the Temperance Hall on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. R. J. H. Knaggs presided, and there were present the Revs. F. J. Boyce and W. Woolls Rutledge, Messrs. S. Heaven, J. Wade, J. W. Lawton, T. W. Glover, J. Moseley, R. Parker, and G. E. Ardill. The secretaries reported successful missions, financially and otherwise, at Newcastle, Maitland, and Wallsend. The sum of £55 was handed in from country missions. It was reported that so far the mission at Singleton had been well attended notwithstanding the inclement weather. The local secretary reported that the arrangements for the Balmain mission had been completed.

On Monday evening last the parishioners of St. Luke's Presbyterian Church, Redfern, assembled in the lecture hall at a social tendered to the Rev. T. J. Curtis and Mrs. Curtis on the occasion of their silver wedding. During the evening Mr. Thomas Spence, chairman, on behalf of the subscribers, presented to Mr. and Mrs. Curtis two cameo-engraved cups mounted in sterling silver, and four pieces of massive silver plate, in token of the parishioners' high regard and esteem for the recipients and of congratulation at the attainment of the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriage.

The band of the New South Wales Artillery Regiment will, weather permitting, perform in Hyde Park this afternoon under the direction of Brigade Bandmaster Hutchinson, commencing at 3 o'clock.

The Suburban Bicycle Club had a two miles open handicap down for last Saturday afternoon, but owing to the inclement weather the event had to be postponed. The race will now be run off during the half-time of the big football match next Saturday at the Sydney Cricket Ground. The club run that had been arranged for Saturday has been abandoned.

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IN PARLIAMENT.

As there was very little preliminary business on the paper of the Legislative Council last night, Sir Julian Salomons resumed his speech on the Constitution of the Commonwealth Bill shortly after the House met. It was considered probable that he would close his remarks within an hour, but having once more warmed to the subject the hon. gentleman went on till the dinner hour. At half-past 7 o'clock he continued his attack upon the bill with undiminished ardour, asserting that under the Federal Council Act the colonies possessed full power to take united action upon matters in regard to which it might be necessary to adopt such a course, without interfering with the right of the Parliaments of the respective colonies to deal with their internal affairs. But he was opposed to the Commonwealth Bill with, as he described it, "its costly, intricate, and dangerous machinery, raising most difficult questions, which would bring about interminable litigation." "The game," he added, "was not worth the candle." Sir Julian spoke for about seven and a half hours, and upon the conclusion of his speech no member appeared disposed to follow him at once, and the House adjourned. Dr. Cullen has given notice that next week he will move for an additional sitting day.

The adjournment of the House was moved yesterday because the Darling has not yet been snagged. The Darling was unsnagged simply because the Government was in willing conspiracy with the merchants of Sydney, who wished to block up the natural outlet of the West so that goods might come to Sydney and there be shadled by the wicked merchants aforesaid. The worst of this sort of nonsense is that it alienates much sympathy from any real merit there may be in the subject of the motion, and this was proved in this instance by the emptiness of the House. Nevertheless, there seems to be a good deal of reason for bringing the matter before the House. The Western members adduced facts and figures to show that this traffic highway had been much neglected, and it was pointed out how much had been done for other parts of the country. Mr. Millen contended that even "snagging" would be a partial measure. The Darling ought to be locked over a much larger portion than at present, thus making a fair waterway and a water conservation scheme at the same time. The work would be reproductive, for every reduction in the cost of getting produce to market would mean that the Government would be able to obtain increased rentals for its lands at every periodical assessment. There was an unexpended vote for this very purpose, and why not apply it at once? Mr. Young's reply was justifiable delay, owing to circumstances which his department could not control. The present state of the river was so low that the steamers could not get to work, but as soon as the conditions were more favourable the department would probably proceed in an enthusiastic manner to report and inquire and take other determined steps to let water flow down the River Darling in free and easy style. At the same time the Minister admitted that he did not know very much about the Darling. Mr. Lyne, who has a practical knowledge of matters like this, asserted that the snagging could be done more effectually by hand-labour than by steamer. He urged that the work of making the Darling thoroughly navigable should be gone on with at once, and promised to help the Government by every means in his power to this end. In reply it was urged that if the Darling were in the Manning River it would have been wood-blocked by this time. This was distinctly unkind, rather unfeeling—somewhat cruel, in fact. The Minister's delightfully vague promise to inquire was scorned. All that was necessary was to get a flat-bottomed boat, an angler, and a handy sort of man. Simplicity was the thing.

The first clause of the Federation Bill considered was the one which says that uniform customs duties shall be imposed within two years after the establishment of the Commonwealth. This would make it mandatory to the Federal Parliament to do something in two years, which something if it failed to achieve would break up the whole Constitution. In fact, it is like giving sovereign rights to the Federal Parliament, and then insisting upon its carrying out a direction which is certain to be very complicated, and may not be advisable, and which, in any case, it alone should be the originators of and the judge of the expedient time to bring it forward at. Ultimately the clause was struck out altogether. It was during the Convention debates resolved that accounts must be kept as between the federating colonies till uniform customs duties had been established throughout the Commonwealth. There were some half-hearted proposals to make amendments in the provision, but the clause as it was drafted was substantially agreed to. There is a wise desire not to bind the Federal Government to definite conditions which it may not be able to carry out. It was doubtless due to this feeling that the clause which proposed that during the first three years after the establishment of the Commonwealth the total yearly expenditure of the Commonwealth shall not exceed £300,000. This was negatived. A plunge was made into the wild chaos of the financial clauses after this. Sir Julian Salomons had said the night before in the Council that he had wrestled with these interesting provisions, and after attempting to read all the figures backwards had given the conundrum up. This was perhaps an unnecessary provision, but it was candid. Also it obviously represents the state of mind of most members and the public. The clause, the elliptical, complicated clause, which deals with the amounts to be repaid to the States after uniform duties are established was much talked on. The Chamber was all but empty most of the time and Ministers were conspicuous by their absence. An amendment had been proposed earlier, which would negative the clause, and Mr. Carruthers approved of it. He is for leaving as much as possible the whole matter of the federal finances to the Federal Parliament. At any rate it seems much safer to leave this matter to the Federation Convention for the moment, especially when it is remembered that the House is merely suggesting—not really amending. The debate took a despairing tone after this. Everyone was dreadfully pessimistic. Mr. Millen condemned the clause, and the Convention, but he had no plan himself, and Mr. Black suggested a resolution which did not seem to mean anything in particular. As a matter of fact, the Treasurers of the colonies at the Convention practically admitted that their proposals by no means uttered the last words of financial philosophy on federation. The crux of the difficulty is to protect the pocket of New South Wales after the federation is effected. We import very much more than any other colony, and, as a consequence, during the years of taking accounts our proportion of payment would be far heavier than that of any other colony.

TASMANIA.

HOBART, Thursday.

The Attorney-General has given notice of amendments in the Commonwealth Bill to deal with deadlocks.

TO-DAY.

Sydney Cricket Ground: Public Schools Fete. Gates open at noon.
East Sydney Rowing Club: Annual Meeting, Australia Hotel, 8 p.m.
St. John's Ambulance Association: Meeting of Glebe Branch, Town Hall, Glebe, 8 p.m.
Highland Society of New South Wales: Annual Meeting, Temperance Hall, 8 p.m.
Waverley Bowling and Recreation Company, Limited: General Meeting, 8 p.m.
Miss Cook will Lecture on Scientific Cookery, Town Hall, Randwick, 3 p.m.
Moorefield Pony Races: First Race starts at 2.10 p.m.
City Railway Extension: Public Meeting, Town Hall, 8 p.m.
Australasian Federation League: Annual Meeting, Town Hall, 4 p.m.
Diamond Jubilee Charity Carnival: Ladies' Meeting, Town Hall, 3 p.m.
Y.W.C.A., 49 Phillip-street: Monthly Meeting of Central Association, 7.30 p.m.
N.S.W. Mont de Piete Company: Meeting, 74 Castlereagh-street, 11.30 a.m.
Sydney Cyclorama Company: Meeting, 70 Pitt-street, 3 p.m.
Australian Brewers' Wine and Spirit Company: Meeting, Chamber of Commerce, 2.30 p.m.
N.S.W. Lager Beer Brewery Company: Meeting, office Bowling-street, Redfern, noon.
Waverley Electorate Cricket Club: Annual Meeting, Bratton's Hotel, 7.45 p.m.
Engineering and Electrical Exhibition, Prince Alfred Park: Afternoon and Evening.
Salon Cinematographe, 237 Pitt-street: Open from 11 a.m.
Cyclorama, opposite Redfern Railway Station: Open 10 a.m. till 10 p.m.
Polytechnic, 82 King-street: Open all day.
Her Majesty's Theatre: "My Friend from India," 8 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre: Variety Entertainment, 8 p.m.
Theatre Royal: Miss Maggie Moore's Company in "Pepper," 8 p.m.

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SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE *HERALD'S* LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

SIR HUGH NELSON.

BRITAIN AND THE COLONIES.

LONDON, July 28.

Sir Hugh Nelson, Premier of Queensland, was yesterday presented with the freedom of Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, his native place.

In replying to the address, Sir Hugh said Queensland did not desire representation at Westminster, and was not prepared to submit to Imperial taxation. It would be better, he thought, for the Home Government to consult the colonies at large upon any Imperial question affecting their interests.

SEDITION IN INDIA.

ARRESTS IN BOMBAY.

LONDON, July 28.

Bal Gangadhar Tilak, a member of the Council of the Governor of Bombay, and editor of the "Kesari," a native newspaper, has been arrested on a charge of inciting disaffection among the natives.

Several Brahmins have also been arrested on a similar charge.

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The "Kesari" declared that "God did not give foreigners a charter to rule India."

Two wealthy Brahmins (brothers) have been arrested at Poonah for inciting to sedition. They have for a long time past been the leaders of secret movements among the native population. Their property has been attached by the Government.

Intense excitement prevails among the natives in consequence of the arrests, which are described by the native papers as more cowardly than murders.

THE INDIAN FRONTIER.

THE ATTACK ON THE MALAKAND CAMP.

LONDON, July 29.

Later reports from India state that Colonel Meiklejohn, commanding the Malakand Brigade, which was attacked by a force of Chitralese, will be able to repel any further attack by the tribesmen. He will assume the offensive when the reinforcements which have been ordered from Bengal reach Malakand.

The tribesmen are poorly armed.

MARKING OF COLONIAL PRODUCE.

EVIDENCE BY A NEW ZEALAND EXPERT.

LONDON, July 29.

Mr. R. A. Cameron, the New Zealand Government produce expert, gave evidence yesterday before the Select Committee appointed by the House of Commons to inquire into the marking of colonial produce to denote the place of origin.

He emphasised the Government inspection and grading of produce, which, he said, ensured the high quality of New Zealand produce. He denounced the statements of Mr. J. Wingfield Digby, M.P., as to the quality of colonial produce, and declared them to be untrue. He dwelt upon the absence of disease amongst New Zealand stock, and pointed out that the farmers took extreme pains to produce the highest quality of mutton. He suggested that live stock imported from foreign countries ought to be prohibited from being sold as British. All colonial produce ought to be called Colonial, and marked so as to show the country of origin.

Mr. J. Wingfield Digby said he would withdraw the statements he had made to the effect that the use of colonial frozen meat rendered consumers liable to cancer and other diseases, and said he was sorry if the colonies were injured thereby.

The Committee intends to report in favour of the Agricultural Produce Marks Bill, providing that all colonial produce should be marked "Colonial," and that from other countries "Foreign." The Committee is in favour of all live and dead meat imported from abroad being marked.

The evidence given by the colonial experts impressed the Committee.

THE NORTH POLE.

ANDREE'S BALLOON VOYAGE.

LONDON, July 28.

The captain of a Dutch vessel reports having sighted something like a balloon floating in the White Sea on the 17th instant.

It is conjectured that the balloon is that in which Herr Andree, the Swedish aëronaut, left Dane's Island, Spitzbergen, on Sunday, 11th July, on his voyage towards the North Pole.

BRITAIN IN THE PACIFIC.

LONDON, July 28.

The "New York Herald" states that Great Britain has occupied the island of Palmyra, in the Pacific, which Hawaii claims as a dependency.

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According to a telegram from Washington, the United States Government has explained that the island of Palmyra was occupied by Britain nine years ago.

The Island of Palmyra is situated about 200 miles S.S.W. of Hawaii, in lat. 5 deg. 50 min. north, and long. 162 deg. 23 min. west. It is of coral formation, and is uninhabited.

THE ENGLISH ELEVEN.

LONDON, July 29.

J. H. Board, of Gloucestershire, has joined the English Eleven which is being organised by Mr. A. E. Stoddart for the Australian tour.

The selection of Board has given great satisfaction to W. G. Grace, the captain of the Gloucestershire County Eleven.

CEYLON GOLDEN TIPS, the finest Tea obtainable, exceptional value at 2s 3d, 1s 9d, 1s 6d, 1s 2d per lb. E. H. Harris & Co., Teamen, 21 Strand.—[ADVT.]

SOUTH AFRICA.

THE RISING IN MASHONALAND.

LONDON, July 29.

Reports from Fort Salisbury, the capital of Mashonaland, state that the column under the command of Captain De Moleyns, operating against the rebel natives, rushed Mashingombi's main position. The natives, who were taken by surprise, left their stronghold, and took refuge in the caves in the vicinity.

The chief was killed and 400 natives were taken prisoners.

EUROPEAN SITUATION.

TURKEY AND GREECE.

LONDON, July 29.

Germany demands that the Powers should exercise a direct international control over the revenues of Greece, and that the revenues should be assigned for the payment of the war indemnity and the interest on the public debt.

The Ambassadors in Constantinople are consulting their respective Governments upon the matter.

MR. G. H. REID.

ARRIVAL IN NEW YORK.

LONDON, July 28.

Mr. G. H. Reid, Premier of New South Wales, has arrived in New York. The steamer by which he travelled made a splendid run from Liverpool.

JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES.

THE ANNEXATION OF HAWAII.

LONDON, July 29.

In the course of an interview the Marquis Ito, Premier of Japan, stated that the differences between Japan and the United States over the annexation of Hawaii to the latter country had been exaggerated by the newspapers. He declares that there is no cause for uneasiness.

THE BRITISH COLUMBIA GOLDFIELDS.

LONDON, July 29.

The Canadian Government has decided to reserve every alternate placer goldmining claim in the Yukon River district, British Columbia, in the interests of the public revenue.

THE NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING ACT.

LONDON, July 29.

Mr. W. P. Reeves, Agent-General for New Zealand, has written a letter to the "Times" in reference to the complaint made in the House of Commons by Sir E. S. Hill, M.P. for Bristol South, and President of the Chamber of Shipping of the United Kingdom, to the effect that the New Zealand Seamen's Act compelled British shipowners to pay local wages despite the conditons of the contracts they had entered into. He explains that the operation of the New Zealand Shipping Act is limited to New Zealand vessels and those trading on the coast.

AUSTRALIAN BASEBALL TEAM.

MATCH AGAINST A LONDON TEAM.

THE AUSTRALIANS VICTORIOUS.

LONDON, July 29.

The Australian baseball team, which recently arrived from the United States, defeated a London team yesterday by 21 runs to 8.

The game was a very closely contested one in the first three innings, no scoring being done by either side. In the fourth innings, however, the Australians established a lead, despite the excellence of the English play. The visitors showed the best team work, and their fielding was also good. Laver, Stuckey, and Ingleton, in particular, gave a splendid display.

The "Sportsman" this morning says that the Australians deserved their win.

A MUSICAL STUDENT.

LONDON, July 28.

Miss Ida Steward, of Melbourne, a young lady of 13, has passed the examination of the Royal College of Music.

A FUSE IGNITER COMPANY.

LONDON, July 28.

Fraser's Victorian Fuse Igniter Company has been formed with a capital of £50,000, of which £15,500 will be issued in shares for public subscription.

THE FALL IN SILVER.

LONDON, July 28.

Falling Eastern Exchanges and heavy speculative sales are depressing the silver market.

Broken Hill Proprietary shares are quoted on the Stock Exchange to-day at 50s.

LATE MINING.

KALGOORLIE, Thursday.

The ore is improving in the quality of the west lode in the South Kalgurli as they drive south. The stone, which is now worth several ounces of gold per ton, is 6ft. or 7ft. wide. This company recently increased its capital, obtaining £25,000 for 15,000 shares, giving the company plenty money for opening up the mine. Mr. Kaufman intends to erect an additional 20-head of stamps and cyanide works on the Ivanhoe mine as soon as the shareholders shall have consented to the sale. The south drive on both the middle and west lode is being carried through 3oz. ore, the stone improving as it is driven on. The Associated Gold Mines, Limited, is rapidly equipping the Australia group of mines with rock drills, condensers, and a winding plant over the main shaft. As soon as the air-compressor plant is going a start will be made to sink the main shaft and open out on the three or four lodes running through the property. The condensers will obviate the necessity of using salt water in the boilers. In erecting the new plant ample room is being left to permit of 40-head stamps being erected, should it be deemed necessary to supplement the ball mills now in use for crushing. The body of oxidised ore in the Australia East, one of the group, is so immense that it is probable that the amount of stone treated will be increased to from 40 to 150 tons daily. Three or four hundredweight of stone, the result of one shot fired in the North Boulder mine is now on view in Kalgoorlie. The stone is frosted with gold, while bands of almost solid gold run through it. The ore closely resembles the best met with in the upper levels of the Great Boulder mine, and for 30ft. in length and 10ft. wide at the 100ft., the North Boulder stone is very similar to the specimens, the faces glistening with the precious metal. The 10-head stamper battery on the mine is nearly completed.

QUEENSLAND.

QUEENSLAND NATIONAL BANK.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The forty-ninth half-yearly meeting of shareholders of the Queensland National Bank was held to-day. The chairman, in moving the adoption of the report and balance-sheet, said that the new scheme of arrangement had been completed and the final entries connected therewith passed since the books were closed for the half-year, consequently from this instant the bank derives the full benefits in saving of interest therefrom. It was a matter of satisfaction that so far as can at present be foreseen the general manager's estimate of provision for losses would be borne out by the results, so that the work of writing off the ascertained loss would be at once proceeded with. The total liabilities of the bank, including the paid-up capital, were £9,423,479, of which the interminable stock in the colonies and the extended deposits in London amounted to £3,795,274. The total liabilities, less interminable stock, paid-up capital, and profit and loss, were £5,154,396. The amount due to the Government by deferred payments was £1,833,326. The first instalment was payable 20 years hence and the last 25 years hence; therefore, until 20 years had elapsed this sum would be excluded, leaving the present liabilities of the bank at £3,321,070 13s 2d, a considerable portion of which comprises the provision made for losses under the scheme. With reference to the Government instalments there was a probability of a considerable portion being paid at an earlier date from the realisation of securities which have fallen into the hands of the bank. The general business of the bank shows undoubted signs of improvement. The bulk of the accounts which were withdrawn from the bank while the scheme of reconstruction was going through had come back again.

BANK OF NORTH QUEENSLAND.

The half-yearly meeting of the Bank of North Queensland was held to-day. The balance-sheet showed that the net profits for the half-year were £2003, which, with the balance from the previous half-year of £7365, was carried forward. The chairman, in moving the adoption of the report, said that whilst the net profit of the bank had not to any considerable extent increased during the half-year, the figures generally show a decided improvement. The deposits which six months ago stood at £234,590 are now £260,128, being an increase of £25,538; but of this amount a considerable sum was purely of a temporary nature. The coin and cash balance had increased by £26,821, and the total reserve had increase from £89,678 to £123,605. The reserve amounts to 116·6 per cent. of the whole deposits at call 138·7 per cent. of the total liabilities of the bank, and 46 per cent. of all liabilities, excluding the liability upon the debenture deposits. The profits shown might be increased by the income derived by the bank from the securities held against stagnant or inoperative accounts. Such income since 1893 had been applied in reduction of such accounts until the securities are realised.

A meeting of the unemployed was held in Brisbane to-day, being attended by between 330 and 400. It was decided to forward a deputation to wait on the Acting Premier to lay before him the distress existing, and to call attention to the fact that the influx of Japanese is likely to make the distress more severe.

A deputation of Northern members of Parliament waited upon the Minister for Railways today to ask for the extension of the Cairns line from Mareeba to Atherton. They represented that the people there offered to build the line on the guarantee principle. The Minister promised to lay the matter before the Cabinet on the Premier's return.

Sir Charles Lilley's health is causing grave anxiety to his friends. His condition is critical.

With reference to the new regulations for raising local revenue in the Solomon Islands, in which the ship license is imposed on all vessels trading within the Protectorate, it was felt when the regulation was issued that it would apply to island labour vessels recruiting in the Solomons, but persons in authority in Australia took a different reading of the matter. It, however, turned out as first anticipated. The schooner Fearless, Captain G. M'Arthur, reached Cairns on the 16th instant after a cruise in the islands, and found there that the regulation was to be enforced in respect to Queensland labour vessels, the sum of £60 being demanded for the half-year's license. It was stated to the master of the Fearless that the matter had been referred to Mr. Chamberlain and that he confirmed the course which the Western Pacific authorities proposed to take. The captain considered it would not pay to hand over £60, so he returned to Cairns before the vessel was full. It is understood that Sir H. Tozer made a communication to the Home Office with a view of ascertaining whether the interpretation put on the regulation in the case of the Fearless was correct. Sir H. Tozer seems personally to consider it not correct, as the official papers indicate an entirely different system of obtaining revenue than by levying labour vessels. The general opinion seems to be that there has been a confusion of the terms trading vessel and labour vessel, the former expression being used in every instance in all papers, while everything tends to show that the trade on which it is sought to levy is that carried on amongst the islands.

The secretary to Admiral Bridge advises that an official return has been recently issued showing the result of practice with guns from 16·20in. down to 4in. calibre in the Royal Navy in the year 1896. H.M.S. Orlando, which stands first in her class in practice with 9·2in. guns secured 7 hits in 16 rounds. The results of her sister ships were as follows:—Narcissus, 14 rounds, 6 hits; Galatea, 10 rounds, 3 hits; Australia, 7 rounds, no hits. In spite of some of the remarkably bad scores the practice of 39 ships in the 4·7in quick-firing guns gives 29·7 per cent of hits. The best results in this class of gun came from the Australian station. The Karrakatta with 12 hits in 18 rounds has the top percentage of the year. The Ringarooma gained 41 for 74, and the Katoomba 30 for 74.

COOKTOWN, Thursday.

It is reported that a prospector named Jacob Conn has been murdered on the Palmer. Friendly natives state that he was speared and eaten. Some white prospectors came across a tribe of blacks feasting on horseflesh, and a portion of the carcase was identified as having belonged to Conn.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Lady Gormanston's son is recovering from the illness which prostrated him.

In the "Government Gazette" this week is published the annual report of the Colonial Surgeon on lunatic asylums in South Australia. It showed that the number of insane persons remaining in the two asylums was 934, being 540 males and 384 females, or an increase of 12 males and a decrease of 8 females on the previous 12 months.

James Haulty, of Armagh, near Clare, was run over by a train near Youngala reservoir and killed.

The revenue and expenditure returns show last quarter's earnings to be £759,036, as against £730,651 for the previous year. The expenditure for the last three months reached a total of £748,973, as compared with £752,060 for June, 1896. A comparative statement for the financial year gives the total revenue as £2,628,049, and the expenditure £2,615,860, leaving a surplus for the year's operations of £12,189. This together with the credit balance brought forward from the previous financial year provides a surplus of £23,656. Of this surplus the Treasurer has applied £20,000 to reducing the debt, only bringing forward £3000.

A special shipment of 1740 cases of oranges is being made by the Bungaree, which leaves to-morrow. The majority will go in the cold chambers, but 300 cases will be placed in the general hold, so as to test both ways of shipping. The Bungaree's cool chambers have been specially fitted so that this shipment may have a satisfactory result.

The general half-yearly meeting of the Croesus G.M. Company was held this afternoon. Mr. W. Bickford, who presided, announced that it was intended to pay the final dividend of 1s, possibly of 1s 1d, when the matter of purchasing was settled. Only one small detail remained, and this, he hoped, would be settled shortly.

YOUR VERMIFORM APPENDIX is a little passage in the intestines with an entrance, but no outlet. If a lemon pip or an OAT HUSK gets in there you're a gone coon. Eat QUAKER OATS and take no chances. No husks. No moisture. Sweet as a nut.—[ADVT.]

VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Lord Brassey sailed to-day in the Sunbeam for Sydney and Newcastle.

At a meeting of the Board of Public Health to-day the president reported having made a personal inspection of 10 dairies in the Hawthorn district, and had found each one in a gravely unwholesome condition. His inspection bore out the inspector's report, the accuracy of which had been challenged by the local officials.

A new magazine rifle, the invention of Mr. T. R. Ashton, of Melbourne, has been perfected, and was on view to-day. The new invention is highly spoken of.

The half-yearly meeting of the Trustees, Executors, and Agency Company was held to-day. The report showed that the amount to the credit of profit and loss account was £6270. A dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum was declared, and £4770 was carried forward.

The ordinary general meeting of the Castlemaine Brewery Company (Melbourne), Limited, was held to-day. The report showed that the year's operations did not, in the opinion of the directors, justify a dividend, the net profit, after making all necessary provisions, amounting to only £2854, which it was decided to carry forward, raising the amount to the credit of the profit and loss account to £12,455. Over competition in the brewing trade was assigned as the main cause of the small profit.

A domestic servant named Alice Wragge, aged about 30, committed suicide at her employer's residence last night by hanging herself in a woodshed. The motive is unknown.

The list of the Supreme Court cases prepared for the August sittings includes 42 Divorce Court applications.

The taking of evidence in the case of Charles John Hall on a charge of wife murder was finished to-day. The case will probably be concluded to-morrow.

A young woman, aged 30, whose name is unknown, fell down in Swanston-street at 11 o'clock to-night. She was taken to the hospital and died within an hour.

NEW ZEALAND.

AUCKLAND, Thursday.

Mr. Ben. Tillett left Wellington for Sydney to-day.

The customs revenue for 1896 was £1,765,073. The excise duties amounted to £70,066. Excluding the Maoris, the amount per head of the customs was £2 9s 11d, an increase of 3s 2d on the previous year.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

ALBANY, Thursday.

The fire on the Gulf of Martaban has now been completely extinguished. The vessel is aground, with 25ft. of water in the hold, and the engine-room is filled. The cargo is being moved to allow of an inspection of the bottom. Much of the cargo has been completely spoiled.

AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTS.

VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

In the Assembly to-day the House resumed the consideration of the Commonwealth Bill in committee. Mr. Carter proposed to omit from clause 9 the provision that the senators shall be directly chosen by the people of the State as one electorate, and to substitute "That the senators, until the Parliament otherwise enacts, shall be chosen as the respective Parliaments of the several States shall by law provide." After a lengthy discussion Mr. Carter consented to withdraw his amendment, so as to enable Mr. Harper to test the question as to whether the colony should or should not be treated as one electorate. Mr. Harper contended that the effect of having the colony one electorate was to place a great and dangerous power in the hands of the press. The debate was continued at great length. All the amendments were withdrawn in favour of one moved by Mr. Fink, to the effect that the colony should be divided into six electorates. Several members urged, however, that the senators should be elected by the legislatures, as the election basis proposed in the draft bill would make the Senate a strong duplicate of the House of Representatives. The amendment by Mr. Higgins, allowing the one electorate system to continue till determined by the Federal Parliament, was negatived, and Mr. Fink's amendment in favour of six electorates was carried without division. An amendment to elect for three instead of six years was negatived, after which the House adjourned.

The Legislative Council was engaged all night in the consideration of the Mining Act Amendment Bill. A large number of clauses were adopted, but a long discussion ensued on the clause to abolish the royalty system. The clause, however, was rejected by 10 to 9 votes. Progress was reported, and the House adjourned at 10.15 p.m.

QUEENSLAND.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

In the Assembly to-day Sir H. Tozer, replying to a question, said it was not the intention of the Government to introduce this session a bill granting a pension to Sir Arthur Palmer. Mr. Leahy moved that,—"Federation was in the best interests of Queensland, and that the present and future prosperity of Queensland would be promoted by an early federal union; that with a view to rendering the resolution effective it is desirable that Queensland be represented at the Convention." He said the motion was tabled on the understanding that a division should be taken on federation unhampered by side issues. He pointed to the common interests of Australia and the necessity for combination against foreign aggression, both in regard to defence and commercial interests, dwelling particularly on the warlike activity of Japan. He declared the time might be near at hand when we would have to cease singing "Rule Britannia," and fight. Sir H. Tozer urged that the motion was a necessary sequence to the action of the House in throwing out the bill. It was due to the other colonies that Parliament should express a definite opinion upon federation, and the motion was a fitting medium. Personally he did not believe that Queensland had anything to fear from the southern colonies. He was an ardent federalist, and was convinced of the absolute necessity of an early union. He supported the breaking down of the Customs barriers. As to sending delegates he assured the House the Government would take no further action until the Convention had stated whether it was prepared to adjourn to allow Queensland to be present, and until the bill could be presented with the responsibility of the Prime Minister. Mr. Bell, in moving his amendment notified the previous day, declared that Sir H. Tozer himself last year had damned with faint praise a measure similar to that presented, when he said, "We will let the other colonies know our opinions." He asked him to say who "we" were in this case. Was the House without a mandate? Queensland could only be represented by a delegation elected by the popular voice. The debate then assumed a general character, the arguments adduced being similar to those on the second reading of the late bill. It is evident that no decision is likely to be arrived at, for the labour leader had a further amendment declaring that the delegation must be elected by the popular vote. At 10 o'clock the adjournment of the debate was moved by a Government supporter, which prompted a vigorous protest by supporters of the amendment against further Government time being devoted to the subject. The debate was eventually adjourned till the 12th August. The House rose at 10.10 p.m.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The Legislative Council spent three hours discussing the clauses of the Commonwealth Bill. It was decided by 14 votes to 3 that the payment of members should be £300 per annum instead of £400 as provided by the bill. Also that Ministers of the Crown should receive only their official salaries. The debate was again adjourned.

In the Assembly Mr. Solomon continued the federation debate. Mr. Coneybear, a labour member, raised an objection to the bill, but denied the statement that the labour party was stonewalling the measure. The debate was further adjourned. The Commissioner for Lands moved the second reading of the Vermin-proof Fencing Bill. The bill facilitates the establishment of boards, reduces the interest on loans, and simplifies repayments, while exacting contribution from the Government for unoccupied lands. The debate was adjourned.

NEWCASTLE.

THE MINING DISPUTE.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

A special meeting of the Burwood Miners' Lodge was held last evening for the purpose of considering the dispute which has arisen between the miners and the management of the colliery in regard to the question of extra payment in cases where four men work in one place. It was pointed out that other collieries paid 3d per ton extra in such circumstances and that some steps should be taken to obtain the same rates from the Burwood colliery. Mr. James Curley, miners' secretary, reported the result of a deputation which had waited upon Mr. Croudace, the manager of the colliery. Mr. Croudace had intimated that it was necessary to place four men in one bord, as some of the miners were indifferent workers. He intimated that he would single out the men, and leave two men only in each place, but he would reserve his decision as to extra payment when it was necessary to place four men in the one bord.

After considerable discussion it was resolved to demand extra payment, and the secretary was instructed to apply to the management for the extra hewing rate for the past quarter.

THE CONSUMPTIVES' HOMES.

The Mayoress has called in the subscription lists in aid of the proposed Consumptives' Homes and the Queen's Jubilee Fund. It will be remembered that the ladies of Newcastle, at a public meeting held at the Town Hall, decided to celebrate the diamond jubilee by making a special appeal on behalf of these charities. The lists returned up to the present have been accompanied by a total sum of £150, and it is anticipated that the funds will benefit to the extent of about £180 by the special collections in this district.

A WOMAN BURNT.

A small outbreak of fire occurred in a bedroom at the residence of Mr. T. Crowe, baker, at Melville-street junction yesterday. In endeavouring to extinguish the flames Mrs. Crowe was severely burnt about the arms and body, and a child which was in the room at the time was also injured. The flames were extinguished by the inmates and neighbours before any serious damage was done to the property.

WALLSEND JOCKEY CLUB.

At a meeting of the Wallsend Jockey Club held at the Queen's Head Hotel, Wallsend, last evening, it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Fletcher, to make arrangements for a race meeting on Saturday, 25th September. An attractive programme was drafted, and as the date selected is one of the reserved days of the A.J.C. it was, thought improbable that there would be races in Sydney on that date. It was reported that the recent gales had resulted in a considerable amount of damage to the grounds and buildings, and it was resolved to effect repairs in time for the next meeting.

NEWCASTLE AND COUNTY BUILDING SOCIETY.

The eleventh annual meeting of shareholders in the Newcastle and County Mutual Building, Land, and Investment Company, Limited, was held in the hall of the Chamber of Commerce, Scott-street, tonight. Mr. Scholes, chairman of the board of directors, presided, and there was a fair attendance of shareholders.

The report and balance-sheet submitted by the board of directors' showed that the year was not marked by any extensive advance in real estate values, but the later portion showed a distinctly upward tendency in rents, and an inclination to investment in freehold revenue-producing properties. The few properties which had been disposed of realised in every case sums in excess of the valuations placed upon them last year. Although the board had systematically advertised money available for advance on freehold property, there had been a marked limit to the number of applications for loans, and the advances for the year amounted to but £760. All properties in the company's hands, including unsold lands, had been re-valued, and ample allowance made for depreciation, the special reserve account at the end of the year being £8433 12s 7d.

On the motion of the chairman, the report was unanimously adopted. Messrs. John Scholes and John R. Bell were re-elected directors, and Messrs. J. O'Mara and J. L. Lawson were re-elected auditors.

NORTHUMBERLAND BUILDING SOCIETY.

The twenty-first annual meeting of shareholders in the Northumberland Permanent Building, Investment, Land, and Loan Society was held at the rooms of the company, 61 Hunter-street West, this evening. Mr. Thomas Abel, chairman of the board of directors, presided.

The directors, in submitting their annual report, stated that during the past year the board did not deem it advisable to extend the operations of the society's business, and as no interest whatever had been added to property which had been forfeited, it had again been decided to only add 4 per cent. to investors' shares. The board however desired to state that the time had now arrived when the business of the society might be increased by judicious and careful investments. No rates or repairs had been added to the redeeming value of the properties, although most of them when sales were effected would fully recoup the expenditure incurred.

The profit and loss account showed that the receipts during the period under review, including a balance from last year of £9973 2s 6d, amounted to £19,271 13s 2d, and that the expenditure totalled £9548 11s 8d. The report and balance-sheet were unanimously adopted, and the retiring directors and auditors were re-elected.

CENTENARY OF NEWCASTLE.

A meeting of the general committee appointed by the citizens to make arrangements for celebrating the centenary of Newcastle, was held at the Town Hall to-night, under the presidency of the Mayor of Newcastle. Although the public was invited to attend, the meeting was a very small one, and there appeared to be a lack of enthusiasm in regard to the proposed demonstration. It was announced that the total sum in hand was only £58, and it was agreed that at least four times this amount would be required to make anything approaching a creditable display. A suggestion was made by one speaker that the proposal should be abandoned, but this was not entertained. After considerable discussion it was resolved that the sports to be carried out under the auspices of the Newcastle Public School Teachers' Athletic Association should form the principal item in the programme. It was further decided to erect a permanent memorial in the shape of a fountain or monument in one of the reserves. The collectors appointed at a previous meeting agreed to make further efforts with a view to raising a substantial sum, and it was decided to adjourn the meeting for a few days in order to ascertain the probable amount which will be subscribed by the citizens to meet the expenses in connection with celebrating the 100th anniversary of the discovery of Port Hunter and the foundation of the city of Newcastle.

ORGAN RECITAL.

At St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church to-night Mr. Arthur J. Mills gave an excellent organ recital in the presence of a crowded audience. The programme, which was a high-class one, contained selections from Batiste, Wagner, Rink, and other masters. Among the vocalists and instrumentalists who figured in the programme were Mesdames W. F. James, S. S. Arnott, and Mills, Messrs. Hugh Thompson, S. V. Jansen, and the members of St. Andrew's choir. Applause was frequent throughout, and several items were repeated.

MUTUAL HELP SOCIETY.

Under the auspices of the Newcastle Mutual Help Society, an organisation formed to assist the distressed of the district, a very successful Cinderella dance was held at the Lyceum Hall to-night for the purpose of supplementing the funds of the society. There was a large and fashionable attendance, and a thoroughly enjoyable evening was spent. The success of the undertaking was due to a great extent to the exertions of Mr. Berkeley, the hon. secretary of the movement.

SHOP EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION.

The half-yearly balance-sheet in connection with the Newcastle Shop Employees' Association, which was presented and adopted at the meeting of members held last night, showed receipts £16, expenditure £12, credit balance £8. It was reported that the society was in a prosperous condition, and it was decided to make additional efforts to increase the membership.

A ballot will take place at the courthouse on Friday for two gangs of men to proceed to the Bogan for scrub-clearing operations. Mr. F. G. Adrian, C.P.S. and labour agent, will conduct the ballot.

Smelting operations on an extensive scale will be commenced in a few weeks at the Sulphide Corporation Works, Cockle Creek.

THE NEW MAIL CONTRACTS.

With reference to our cablegram stating that the House of Commons had accepted the new Australian mail contracts it may be of interest to state that a letter from the English Treasury under date of 28th January, 1897, contained the following particulars of the new contracts:—"The Postmaster-General had accepted the P. and O. Company's tender for seven years via Brindisi, and the Orient Company's tender for the same period via Naples. The subsidy to the former company is £330,000 per annum; to the Orient Company £85,000 per annum. 'The directors of the P. and O. Company will interpret as favourably as possible to the wishes of the colonies the qualification which they have felt obliged to introduce into the condition relating to the substitution of Fremantle for Albany as the port of call in Western Australia and to the entrance of Princess Royal Harbour so long as the steamers call at Albany. The Orient Company will also be ready to enter the inner harbour whenever practicable and to substitute Fremantle for Albany as the port of call as soon as they can be satisfied that Fremantle Harbour is safe. The company has further agreed to reduce the time of transit between Naples and Adelaide to 696 hours (29 days), and will endeavour in practice to give an earlier arrival at Adelaide and Naples than is prescribed by the contract. The dates of departure from Bombay and Adelaide are not yet arranged, but will form the subject of further negotiation between the Postmaster-General and the two companies.'" The new service begins when the present extended contract terminates, which will be on 31st January, 1898.

SECOND EDITION.

SILVER.

LONDON, July 29, 2.40 p.m.

The price of bar silver has advanced from 2s 2¼d per ounce standard to 2s 8 7-16d.

STEAMER ASHORE IN THE HARBOUR.

Our South Head correspondent early this morning wired:—"A large steamer, bound out, has gone ashore on Laing's Point, Watson's Bay. The Captain Cook has gone to her assistance."

Later.

The steamer is the German-Australian line steamer Solingen, 2874 tons, outward bound in ballast for Newcastle, to load coal for Singapore.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

A LATE SITTING.

After our report on page 6 closed the Assembly continued to debate the Federal Constitution Bill. Several additional amendments were made and progress was reported.

The House then proceeded to consider the Crown Lands Amendment Bill.

Upon the motion of the Minister for Lands, the second reading was agreed to, and the House went into committee to consider the bill in detail.

At 3.40 the House was still sitting.

A STRANGE STABBING CASE.

A WOMAN ATTACKED IN BED.

Walker-street, Redfern, was the scene of some commotion early this morning. The screams of a woman were heard calling for aid, alleging that she was being murdered. The neighbours gathered, and the police were soon in attendance. The woman, whose name is Rankin, presented a pitiable spectacle. She was in her nightdress, which was saturated with blood. Her excitement consequent upon the attack and her subsequent efforts to raise an alarm, combined with the great loss of blood, had reduced her to a state of complete prostration. Efforts were at once made to stay the flow of blood, and the woman was removed to the Prince Alfred Hospital, where remedies for her relief were applied with apparent success.

Her statement to the police surrounds the case with mystery. She states that she retired to bed with her husband, and they had been lying there for some time, both having settled down to sleep. Suddenly she was aroused without any previous warning, and the next instant she felt she was being stabbed. What the instrument was with which the wound was inflicted she knows not. The opinion of the medical man is that her assailant was armed with either a pair of scissors or a knife.

It was found that the wound, although on the left breast just beneath the heart, had not penetrated to a critical depth, and the condition of the woman did not give cause for alarm.

COUNTRY NEWS.

GOVERNMENT WORKS.

NARRABRI, Thursday.

Mr. Collins, M.L.A., has received a communication from the Postal Department, stating that the petition from the residents of Boolcarrol and Yarranbah for a telephone from those places to Wee Waa would be granted on condition that the residents gave the necessary guarantee of £50 per annum for five years.

The Railway Department has accepted the tender of Messrs. Hodgson and Snelling, of Dubbo, for the supply of 40,000 ironbark sleepers to be delivered at Narrabri.

DESTRUCTION OF NOXIOUS ANIMALS.

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

The Tamworth Stock Protection Board paid £1957 11s 5d for the destruction of noxious animals during the half-year ended 30th June. The animals destroyed were:—Hares, 2217; wallabies, 187,599; kangaroo rats, 12,291; eagle hawks, 175; crows, 6024; native dogs, 187; native pups, 21.

A TRAVELLING EXPERT.

MACLEAN, Thursday.

Mr. J. L. Thompson, travelling agricultural instructor from the Department of Mines and Agriculture, lectured last night to a fairly large and very representative audience. He dealt at considerable length with the importance of a thorough system of drainage and the use of most modern implements in order to secure satisfactory results in cultivation. He also gave prominence to the dairying industry, the selection of the herd, the laying down of land in grasses, and the necessity for proper provision being made for winter in the shape of suitable shelter and food. In this connection his remarks upon ensilage were particularly interesting. He was in attendance at the council-chambers to-day to confer with farmers, and was interviewed by a good number.

SCHEME TO BUILD UP THE FRUIT INDUSTRY.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

A scheme is being laid before the orchardists and landowners generally with the object of placing the fruitgrowing industry upon a sound basis. It is proposed to form a company with shares at £6 each, payments extending over two and a half years, the application fee of £1 to be devoted to the purchase of several thousand fruit trees of approved varieties. In the third year when trees begin to bear it is proposed to utilise the accumulated capital for the erection of a plant to preserve fruit either by drying, canning, or as jam. This scheme guarantees the fruit being available when the factory is erected, and also the factory being erected when the fruit is ready for it.

A PAINFUL DEATH.

WALCHA, Wednesday.

A boy named Chambers, between 15 and 16 years of age, was nursing a baby in front of the fire at his parents' residence, Tia, on Sunday last, when he fell from the seat. His head struck on the knob of the kettle handle and he died almost immediately. The coroner went out on Monday, but had to return on account of the deep snow. An inquest was held yesterday, and a verdict of accidental death returned.

PLOUGHING MATCH AT BERRY.

BERRY, Thursday.

The ploughing match in connection with the Agricultural Societies of Berry, Shoalhaven, and Milton, took place at Berry to-day. There were 22 competitors in the various events, and about 400 people were present, much interest being taken in the various sections, more especially in the champion class. In the champion event A. Warden took first prize, W. M'Donald second, and J. Larter third. In the second class J. Dooley was first, J. O'Connor second, and C. Payne third. In the third class J. Blow was first, W. Blow second, and D. Larter third. The ploughing generally was much above the average.

ALBURY, Thursday.

A meeting of the Pastoralist Association of Victoria and Southern Riverina was held to-day, when several new members were accepted. Messrs. T. A. Gibson and Alexander M'Bean were appointed to represent the local branch at the council in Melbourne.

The land board was to-day occupied most of the time in reconsidering the question of the proposed village settlement at Culcairn. This matter was before the board some time ago, when a petition was presented in favour of a portion of the reserve being set apart for the purpose named. On that occasion witnesses favourable to the petition failed to attend and the memorandum was rejected. To-day a large number of witnesses were examined. The petition was opposed by Mr. J. Balfour, the owner of Pound Hill station. The case is still proceeding.

BOURKE, Thursday.

The river at Yetman is 12ft., and falling; Boggabilla, 27ft., falling; Mungundi, 7ft. 8in., rising; Mogil, 4ft. 3in., rising; Collarendabri, 1ft., rising; Walgett, Barwon 7ft., rising, Namoi 4ft., rising. The weather has a threatening aspect.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

A meeting of citizens, representing all classes, assembled last night in the Town Hall at which it was decided to recognise the services of the Rev. Father Connelly, who after eight years' work in Broken Hill has been transferred to Bourke. It was resolved to present him with a purse of sovereigns and an illuminated address.

BURRAGA, Thursday.

Over an inch of rain has fallen, the weather being mild. The grass is growing splendidly.

CARCOAR, Thursday.

Last night there was a very severe frost here.

CAMDEN, Thursday.

The Queensland Government expert, Mr. Mahon, has been paying a visit to New South Wales with the object of purchasing the best selection of Alderney and Jersey cattle. This gentleman this morning visited the well-known Kirkham Estate herd, and pronounced it the best he had seen in the colony, and forthwith purchased at high figures. He insisted upon all the cattle being subjected to a test, and they were found to be perfectly healthy. They are to be despatched to the Queensland Agricultural College at Gatton.

COLLARENDABRI, Thursday.

Heavy rains have caused Thalaba Creek to rise over its banks. The new bridge at Merrywinebone has had the approach embankments completely washed away and traffic is stopped. The Sydney mails due here yesterday at 9 a.m. have not yet arrived.

CORAKI, Thursday.

Young and Wilson, the two prisoners tried at Lismore during last assizes before Judge Docker for breaking and entering the Lismore railway station and breaking open a safe, taking therefrom £30, and who were sentenced to 10 years' penal servitude, left by the steamer Oakley to-day with other prisoners, escorted by Constables Heins and Scroope. The action of the police in getting together sufficient evidence for the conviction of these men, who are noted criminals, and who have both served several long sentences before, is very favourably commented upon and highly commended throughout the district.

The weather continues unsettled. Rain was falling in showers during the early morning. The sky was overcast throughout the day, the wind changing from W. to S.E. It is now blowing fresh with a threatening sky. The river is now down to its normal level.

COME-BY-CHANCE, Thursday.

A large and representative meeting of pastoralists and others was held to-day to advocate the construction of an extension of the proposed Narrabri-Pilliga railway line to Walgett. A strong committee was formed, and resolutions in accordance with the object of the meeting were unanimously carried.

DUBBO, Thursday.

The police are still dragging the Macquarie River with grappling-irons for the body of Miss Adams, who was drowned yesterday.

The stock losses in the Dubbo district through the recent drought were 1860 horses, 8300 cattle, 900,000 sheep, and 568,000 lambs.

Twelve hundred and sixty acres were selected at the lands office to-day as conditional purchase and lease.

Mr. James Thompson arrived to-day to take charge of the recently-established Dubbo branch of the Colonial Architect's Department.

DENILIQUIN, Thursday.

Two local students, Miss Ethel May Tipping and Ernest William Fawcett, each successfully passed the University Junior examination.

KIAMA, Thursday.

At a meeting of the Kiama Borough Council to-day a letter was received from Mr. Duncan Salmond offering to excavate all the blue metal on Brown-street north of Terralong-street, and to the same level of the present cutting on the lastnamed street, a work which will mean the removal of many thousands of tons of stone, the contract to be completed in three years from its commencement. The council has accepted the offer, and promises every assistance, provided a money bond be given, and the work carried out to plans and levels to be furnished by the council.

A letter was received from the Kiama Agricultural Association claiming exemption from the payment of rates on its show buildings on the ground that they are erected on public recreation ground vested in trustees, and as such are not liable to be rated. The council was asked to submit a case for the opinion of the Municipal Association of New South Wales, but this it declined to do. The association intends now to take the alternative course of appealing against the rate.

Attention was directed to the large numbers of Syrian hawkers camping on the streets at night, and it was decided to set the police in motion.

The Mayor presented a form of the debentures which it is proposed to issue, covering the amount of the council's loan, and was authorised to have them prepared and issued.

With regard to the proposed water scheme for Kiama, it was arranged at to-day's meeting to take a vote of the ratepayers within the reticulated area on the 11th proximo, the vote to be given on the basis of a municipal vote, and in the same manner as at municipal elections.

It is reported that the "Whispering Gallery," which is one of the beauty spots of Illawarra, will shortly be resumed by the Government. This is one of the most remarkable places in the colony, and if taken in hand by Government, and proper means of access to it secured, it will become a favourite resort.

LITHGOW, Thursday.

The coal trade of the district generally is rather quiet. The prospect of trouble some weeks back gave rise to a temporary spurt in the output, and now that peace prevails there is a corresponding temporary slackness in the demand. Locally the average working time is about four shifts weekly, and at Cullen Bullen about half-time. More briskness is reported from the smaller collieries near Piper Flat.

The weather is now fine, with light frosts at night. There is every prospect of an early and excellent spring.

MITTAGONG, Thursday.

The Rev. H. Worrall, Wesleyan missionary from Fiji, accompanied by a young Fijian chief, gave a lecture in the Wesleyan church on Tuesday. The Rev. Mr. Parkinson presided. The young chief gave a short address in Fijian, Mr. Worrall interpreting.

The local School of Arts has received £59 2s 1d, as the subsidy for the year.

MOREE, Thursday.

Repairs to the railway line between here and Narrabri have been sufficiently advanced to admit of a train coming through this afternoon for the first time since Saturday last. The gangers, under the direction and supervision of Mr. Fraser, deputy engineer for existing lines, and other officials, carried out the work very speedily, and though the train ran at low speed, being two hours overdue, it is expected that the line will be sufficiently tested in a few days to admit of ordinary travelling and the resumption of stock trucking.

At the annual meeting of the Pastoral and Agricultural Society last night the report showed that highly satisfactory progress has been made during the year. It set forth that the facilities afforded by railway extension had considerably increased the number of exhibits in all classes, notably horses, sheep, and poultry, while the pavilion exhibits had been greatly augmented. The finances showed the bank overdraft as £1067, but against that improvements costing £2800 have been carried out, and £378 awarded in prize money against £251 last year, and a sum of £178 is due as Government subsidy. During the year the membership had increased from 152 to 262, including 36 ladies, and altogether the position of the society is regarded as financially and otherwise sound. There is every prospect of steady progress. The election of committee and officers was adjourned for a week.

The Rev. J. Woolnough, president of the Wesleyan Conference and secretary of the Sustentation Fund, left for Sydney by train to-day, after a short stay here, where he was welcomed at a well-attended conversazione.

MURWILLUMBAH, Thursday.

A large two-story wooden building at Tweed Heads, recently used as a Commercial Hotel, was destroyed by fire this morning. The only persons on the premises were Mrs. Velong (who is the owner) and her son and daughter. The fire was first noticed at 1 o'clock, and originated in one of the first-floor rooms. The building and the whole contents were totally destroyed. They are insured in the Commercial Union Office. The building is on the Queensland side of the border. The origin of the fire is unknown.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

The recent splendid rain has had a most beneficial effect upon the district. Herbage and crops are much benefited. The flood in the Cudgegong River is the highest for four years.

At a special meeting of the Mudgee council yesterday it was decided to adopt the engineer's report recommending a gravitation scheme of water supply from Redbank Creek, and to ask the Government to construct the same under the Country Towns Water Act.

Two miners named Large and Spradbrow narrowly escaped being crushed to death at Blackman's reef, Linburn, yesterday, through a fall of earth, one being partially buried. Their injuries were light considering that both men were pinned down by fallen material.

Mr. Gibson is here as acting warden of goldfields, pending the appointment and arrival of a new police magistrate.

WALGETT, Thursday.

A crowded and enthusiastic meeting was held to-night in advocacy of the railway from Narrabri to Walgett. Mr. Scott, of Gingie, was in the chair. Resolutions was carried unanimously urging the necessity of proceeding with the extension of the line to Walgett simultaneously with that to Pilliga, and that the Minister be requested to authorise Mr. Harper to visit all the towns north-west of Pilliga, and obtain the necessary information regarding the probable traffic. A large number of adherents to the league were obtained before the close of the meeting, and a substantial sum was collected.

WENTWORTH, Thursday.

The steamer Alert and barge Nelson arrived from Echuca with a cargo of general produce, and sailed again for that port. The Pearl arrived from Morgan with a general cargo and sailed for Mildura. The Mannum arrived from Mildura in ballast and sailed for South Australia, taking the barge Hartley, which was laid up here since the river has been opened. The captains of steamers are jubilant at the prospect of a good rise in the River Darling owing to the splendid rainfall recently reported from stations towards the head of the river.

Shearing operations in connection with Moorna station will be commenced at the Anabranch station on the 17th August, being about a week later than usual.

Complaints are becoming more and more numerous in connection with the stoppage of wool washing in the river under the Public Health Act.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

The weather is fine. The river is falling slowly, and is now 18ft.

Considerable uneasiness exists owing to the discovery of indications of landslips extending over 100 yards on each side of the Belmore Bridge. Mr. H. D. Walsh, of the Harbours and Rivers Department, has been communicated with.

WINDSOR, Thursday.

The total rainfall recorded at Windsor Observatory up to 9 a.m. on the 27th instant was 4·323in. The flood-waters are now receding. The newly-raised bridge stood the force of the swift rush of water well, and not even any portion of the approaches was displaced. This work was done by day labour, and the whole job was creditably completed.

Nine deaths have taken place during the past 10 days in this district, and included amongst them were several very old residents. Mr. James Inall, 95 years of age; Mr. W. O'Rourke, 68; Mr. Thomas Wall, 73; Mr. Thomas Laycock, of Pitty, who was well advanced in years; and Mrs. Martha Lord, 79 years old.

CYCLORAMA WORD COMPETITION.

The prizes given by the Cyclorama to the readers of "Young Australia" comprised two biscuit barrels and two butter dishes for the four longest lists of English words contained in the words "Jerusalem Cyclorama." The competition was a keen one, and showed that young Australians are not lacking in energy. Several hundred lists were sent in, almost filling a large case. Miss Lorna Chiene, Camperdown (1920 words), won the first prize; Rosie Cortledge (1411), second; H. E. Hudson (1343), third; and Helen Johnstone (1300), fourth. Nine others exceeded 1000 words, and each received a special prize as a reward of their energy. Miss Chiene's words were got from the Imperial Dictionary, Shakespeare, and several other poets, novelists, medical and legal works, and the Bible.

A BLIND PASSAGE is your vermiform appendix. An oat husk getting in there will kill you. EAT QUAKER OATS. Free from husks, sweet, creamy, dry.—[ADVT.]

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NEW SOUTH WALES PARLIAMENT.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THURSDAY, JULY 29.

The President took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

BILLS ASSENTED TO.

Mr. President announced the receipt of a message from the Governor stating that his Excellency had assented to the Municipal Loans and Field of Mars Resumption Bills.

QUESTIONS.

The VICE-PRESIDENT, in reply to Mr. Campbell, said in 1882 the Government resumed the land on the western side of Circular Quay between Pitt and George streets for tramway purposes. The area was 2 roods 19 2-5th perches. The cost of the resumption was land £98,120, and legal expenses £212 4s 4d. A portion of the land at the corner of George and Queen streets had been used for the erection of a fire station. The balance which was vacant was let for storage purposes. The Government still owned the land.

The VICE-PRESIDENT, in reply to Dr. Cullen, said there was no record in the Treasury of the late Mr. Eddy having presented a report to the Premier as to the desirability or otherwise of establishing some federal control over the railways.

LAND AND INCOME TAXES.

Mr. CREED moved,—"That there be laid upon the table of the House a return showing the gross amount expended in the administration of the Acts relating to the income and land taxes from their passing to 30th June in the case of each law respectively."

The motion was agreed to.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL said he had been reported in the papers as having stated that Frenchmen whose accommodation at the barracks was asked for were sailors and not soldiers. He desired to say they were soldiers and not sailors.

COMMONWEALTH CONSTITUTION BILL.

The adjourned debate on the motion of Mr. Barton, "That, in pursuance of section 26 of the Australasian Federation Enabling Act, 1895, this House do, on its next day of sitting, resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole for the consideration of the Draft Constitution framed under the provisions of the aforesaid Act," was resumed.

Sir JULIAN SALOMONS (continuing his speech of the previous day) said he would like to correct serious errors which had crept into the daily papers. He was reported to have said, which of course he never did, that supposing a court of appeal of the kind indicated in the bill were created, the Judge would leave the court without authority and return to it without respect. He would admit that that was much more witty and amusing than what he said. Every member who was there knew that he said the judgment that was delivered would leave the court, and not the Judge. He ventured to point out to the Council and the country that it would be a most strange innovation to erect a court of appeal in place of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. He thought all his learned friends who supported federation, those who were not in any branch of the law and those who had no experience as to how laws were administered, would agree with him that more important than uniformity of tariff was uniformity in the judgments of the Court. (Hear, hear.) As it was now there was no possible conflict. He could put his finger on any number of important commercial cases where the Privy Council had decided the very opposite of the Courts of Australia. He objected to persons opposed to him trying to belittle the position he had taken up. He now desired to point out that it would be impossible for ordinary working men, bushmen, artisans, and others to understand the real meaning of the Commonwealth Bill. It was a difficult measure even for a lawyer to comprehend. He proceeded to point out that Dr. Quick, in an article in the June number of the "Review of Reviews," attacked the two Houses of Parliament of New South Wales for opposing federation.

Mr. CREED: How does the article apply to the Parliament of New South Wales?

Mr. BARTON: The bill was not before this House at the time.

Sir JULIAN SALOMONS: It was before the Legislative Assembly.

The ATTORNEY-GENERAL: Ours was the only Parliament sitting at the time.

Sir JULIAN SALOMONS: Dr. Quick, who was a member of the Convention, charged them with being small-minded, selfish, provincial, and parochial. He (Sir Julian Salomons) was himself opposed to federation from the crown of it to the foot of it. He was opposed to it in the form in which it was in this bill. He thought it was mistaken and premature, and full of danger, and ought not to be adopted. How could they federate with politicians who wrote like Dr. Quick? Dr. Quick also said in the same article that the Convention consisted of a number of experts on the subject of federation, and that the functions of the Legislative Chambers would be simply of an advisory character. The same writer further stated that it would not be mandatory on the Convention to accept any of the amendments evolved by either Chamber. What would be the use of submitting amendments to a gentleman who wrote in this way and with so much prejudice. (Hear, hear.) He had said he regarded this measure as the first step to separation. A leading journal said he had no ground for the assertion, and stated that the very opposite was the case. If they, in 1897, had by reason of numbers, wealth, intelligence, and general fitness to have a great commonwealth of all the Australian colonies and to form a judicial body which could and ought to take the place of the judicial committee of the Privy Council, then he certainly said with no faltering voice that they were not going to be so foolish as to bring out from England members, whether they be peers or commoners, to teach them to drive the political chariot. If they found men to take these great positions with due dignity and knowledge, and found lawyers sufficiently experienced for this judicial position; if they had men like this, and if they were to sweep away their Constitution, let them have the courage to say to England: "We don't want you to send out ornamental figures from either House of Parliament to teach us how to drive the great political engine." He now desired to point out that this costly fabric known as the Commonwealth Bill was not needed. There already existed on the Imperial Statute Book a provision which if bona-fide taken advantage of could be used to bring about everyone of the objects included in the Commonwealth Bill, or all the objects at any rate necessary to be brought about for the next 50 years. He alluded to the Federal Council Act. Sir Henry Parkes, from pique or otherwise, prevented New South Wales from joining the Federal Council. Mr. Deakin, of Victoria, had expressed the opinion that the Federal Council would be sufficient for the purposes of Australia. That Act contemplated the whole of the colonies joining in the federal union. Members of the House had admitted to him that they had never read the Act. The Federal Council Act was a measure dealing with such matters of common Australian interest in respect to which united action was desirable, and which could be dealt with without unduly interfering with the management of the internal affairs of the several colonies by their respective Legislatures. The Federal Council, which might be unlimited in its numbers if the colonies so desired, would be quite sufficient for the requirements of Australia for many years to come, and be objected to a proposal such as this Commonwealth Bill with its costly, intricate, and dangerous machinery, and which would raise most difficult questions and cause interminable litigation. The game was not worth the candle. (Hear, hear.) The federal capital ought to be stated in the Act, and he was opposed to the idea of having any territory which was exclusively federal. For the next 50 years, or half that time, they would be wise to help to make the Federal Council a success. He knew it had no executive power, but there was power to give it, and the numbers could be increased. He submitted that he had proved absolutely that what they were sincere in wanting could be done under that Imperial Act, and that was what he undertook to do. This bill, seeing the dangers of a Federal with smaller independent Parliaments, proposed to depart from them. There were the dangers of having a Federal Parliament with the powers of the Dominion of Canada Parliament and still leaving the provincial Parliaments practically independent as to local and other matters of serious legislation. There were the dangers of political and corrupt combinations of America and eternal litigation which arose by reason of there being two Parliaments both of which were supreme within certain circles, and then the Courts had to decide every time which acted within one circle and which acted within another. Of course they could not attempt to have anything without some sacrifice. The Commonwealth Bill was really one which ought to be preceded by National independence, but that would be a matter of time—50 or 100 years hence. Let them defer as long as possible breaking any ties with the mother country. (Hear, hear.) Finally, in bidding adieu to the subject, he desired to thank every member of the Council for the consideration which had been shown to him in dealing with the subject. (Applause.)

Dr. CULLEN said that after the speech of the hon. member he would move that the debate be adjourned.

Mr. BARTON said he was not opposed to the motion, and he did not desire to make any complaint, but he desired to point out that if the House intended to deal with the bill in committee there would be very little time left to them. He would suggest that the Council should be granted an extra sitting day. (Hear, hear.)

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL said that they might have passed a motion for an extra sitting day that night.

Dr. MACLAURIN: I object.

The VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL said that he desired to intimate that next week the Government would give notice of an extra sitting day.

The motion for the adjournment of the debate was then agreed to.

HUNTER DISTRICT WATER SUPPLY BILL.

A message was received from the Legislative Assembly forwarding this bill with amendments.

The consideration of the message was adjourned till Wednesday next.

ADJOURNMENT.

The VICE-PRESIDENT of the EXECUTIVE COUNCIL moved that this House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to, and the House at 9.10 p.m. adjourned until the usual hour on Wednesday next.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

THURSDAY, JULY 29.

The Speaker took the chair at half-past 4 o'clock.

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS.

The ACTING PREMIER, in answer to Mr. F. Clarke, said it was reported that the repairs to the tug for Port Macquarie were practically completed, and she would shortly again be on her station. During her absence the subsidy was stopped.

The ACTING PREMIER, in answer to Mr. F. Clarke, said the cost of construction of the cable tramline between Ridge-street and Willoughby-road was £42,733. It was intended to work the section referred to by electric traction, as it would be more convenient and economical, owing to the electric tram working on other sections of the same system. The existing tramline would be used for electric trams, although the grip-channels would not be utilised.

The ACTING PREMIER, in answer to Mr. O'Sullivan, said that inquiry into a complaint concerning arbitrary action by the inspector of slaughterhouses at Goulburn had been ordered.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS, in answer to Mr. M'Lean, said that no work had yet been commenced in connection with the improvement of Cook's River. The work at the flood gates would be proceeded with in about six weeks' time. Dredging could not be commenced until the frontage had been resumed. The embankment across Marrickville Valley would be constructed by contract. The proposal to construct a stormwater drain through the lowlying lands at Tramvale had been under consideration in connection with the low-level system of sewerage, and until that was carried out it was thought nothing should be done.

The ACTING PREMIER, in answer to Mr. Chanter said that many complaints had been received by the Board of Health during several past years against persons who scoured wool on the banks of different rivers, and allowed the foul water to return to the stream without first purifying it, from settlers who lived on the banks below the place of scouring, and for whom the river was the sole source of water supply. Such woolscourers had, in many cases, done everything necessary to prevent fouling the stream as soon as the inconvenience to which they were putting their neighbours was pointed out to them. In two cases it was found necessary to serve a formal notice under section 50 of the Public Health Act, after which the nuisance was abated. In no case has trade been interfered with, the sole requirement insisted upon having been such purification of waste waters as would prevent them from rendering the main stream disagreeable and undrinkable. The provisions under which woolscourers could now be compelled to purify their waste waters before returning them to the main stream were inserted in the Public Health Act in consequence of repeated complaints made during several preceding years, but they were not new; they merely furnished an easier and more direct way of securing to the people rights always enjoyed by them under the common law. It was considered, therefore, that woolscourers had not been taken by surprise.

The ACTING PREMIER, in answer to Mr. Barnes, said he would not insert a clause in the bill dealing with the value of improvements to incoming landholders, so as to enable selectors to have their land reappraised, where land had been taken up at prices beyond their legitimate value.

The ACTING PREMIER in answer to Mr. Black, said that a special lease of 5 acres 1 rood 13½ perches of land had been granted to the trustees of the Sydney Cricket Ground for 14 years at an annual rental of £50. About 12 acres were dedicated to the associated cricket clubs in 1877, and this, added to the special lease, gave a total area of 17 acres 1 rood 13½ perches.

The ACTING PREMIER, in answer to Mr. Macdonald, said he could not lay on the table the papers in the case of Joseph Allwood, who was committed for trial at Nyngan on a charge of embezzling money, the Attorney-General having declined to lend a bill, and in such cases the papers were treated as confidential.

The ACTING PREMIER, in answer to Mr. Waddell, said that no complaint had been made to his department that large quantities of sound pine timber 12in. and over in diameter had been rung six miles from the town of Girilambone. The attention of the Department of Labour and Industry would be called to the matter.

The ACTING PREMIER, in answer to Mr. Greene, said that certificates of registration under the mining board regulations had been issued to several occupants of land at West Wyalong. Applications had been made to the local land board by business people to purchase, and in three cases permission had been granted. The question of alienating these lands was being considered by the Mines Department, and upon a decision being arrived at these cases would be finally dealt with.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS, in answer to Mr. Greene, said he was not aware that the thoroughfare between Wyalong and West Wyalong was in an unsafe condition. No information of dangerous accidents having occurred there had reached his department. The proclamation of the road as a public road rested with the Lands Department, and until it was done no public expenditure could take place on it.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS, in answer to Mr. Chanter, said no tender for redecking the bridge over the Murray at Moama had been received. An arrangement had been made with the Victorian Government whereby the whole deck of the bridge would be reconstructed. The work was to be carried out by the Victorian Railway Department, to plans which had been approved by the New South Wales Public Works Department. The greater portion of the work would probably be done by the Victorian railways men, and he was not in a position to state if tenders would be called for any part of it.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS, in answer to Mr. E. M. Clark, said the probable cost of the electrical machinery for the George-street tramway would be £38,119. The expenses of Mr. G. Fischer in visiting America to superintend the construction of the machinery would probably not exceed £250. Mr. Fischer would also inquire into other matters, and it would be a more economical arrangement than employing the services of an American engineer.

[Mr. Schey asked a number of questions concerning the business of this office. The only one which might be regarded as of any consequence to the public had reference to the employment of young women to set type "on the Lord's Day." In reply generally the Acting Premier said: "I think it ought to be the aim of every man, and especially one occupying a public position, to use every endeavour to uphold the fame and reputation of our free institutions. Parliament is certainly our highest institution; and, holding the opinion I have already expressed, I cannot assist in detracting from its honour and dignity, and I must therefore decline to answer the honourable member's question." (Cries of "Hear, hear.") It may be well to add that young women are not employed in this office to set type on Sunday or at any other time. Those engaged in the work of "distribution" leave about noon on Saturday, and return to work on Monday morning.]

TRESPASSERS ON THE WILLOUGHBY RESERVE.

The ACTING PREMIER, in answer to Mr. E. M. Clark, said 66 persons were proceeded against by the Cumberland ranger for trespass on alleged Crown lands, known as the Willoughby Park Reserve. In 21 cases the fines were paid, 14 cases were withdrawn, in five cases the summonses were not served, in four cases the fines were remitted, 22 commitment warrants were issued, of which two were not executed. Some persons who were so prosecuted set up the question of title as tenants of another reputed owner, and the proceedings were withdrawn. These proceedings were taken at the instance of the Minister for Lands. A number of persons were proceeded against and fined, and some of them signed a paper on the suggestion of the Crown Law Officers acknowledging the Crown rights. Instructions were given that undue hardship should not be inflicted upon anyone, but he had refused to remit fines to those persons who put the Crown to unnecessary expense, and harassed the Government in its assertion of public rights as much as possible. In cases where title was set up proceedings were withdrawn. At the present time the land was the subject of an Equity suit.

PETITIONS.

Mr. Lyne presented a petition from Mr. George M'Credie, consulting engineer and architect, asking for permission to be represented by counsel or attorney, or personally, at the select committee on the telephone tunnels, with the right to adduce evidence, and to examine and cross-examine any witnesses that might be called.

The petition was referred to the committee.

The Postmaster-General presented a petition from the inhabitants of Penrith asking that, in view of the manifold evils of drink, full local option be granted to the electors in every electorate without compensation.

The petition was received.

The Postmaster-General presented a petition from the miners employed in the coal and shale mines in the Western district asking the House to pass the bill having for its object the limiting of the working hours in coal and shale mines.

The petition was received.

The Minister for Works presented a petition from the women of Camden asking for the passing of the Truck Bill.

The petition was received.

AMENDMENT OF A STANDING ORDER.

Mr. CRICK said he desired to call attention to motion 12 on the notice paper. This was a motion by Mr. Neild for the amendment of standing order 161 with regard to dissenting from the decision of the Speaker upon business under consideration or proposed to be introduced. It affected the privileges of the House, and therefore under standing order 108 ought to be placed before all other business.

Mr. SPEAKER said his attention had already been called to the matter. If he gave precedence to this motion every hon. member could have a motion of a similar kind, and no one could know the order of business. He would not depart from the practice he had followed until the House gave him directions.

Mr. Crick subsequently gave notice of a motion dissenting from the Speaker's decision.

CONDITION OF THE POST OFFICE.

The POSTMASTER-GENERAL, in answer to Mr. Willis, said he had taken steps to obtain a report from the Colonial Architect with regard to the condition of the General Post Office.

PUBLIC SERVANTS' LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

Mr. E. M. CLARK moved,—"That there be laid upon the table a return showing the names, positions, and salaries of officers who have been granted leave of absence to visit England during the present year by the Public Service Board; the term of such leave; whether for any purpose of acquiring special information for the State; and the rule (if any) laid down by the board in regard to extended leave outside ordinary regulations."

The motion was agreed to.

MUDGEE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY BILL.

Mr. R. JONES moved that leave be given to bring in a bill to authorise the trustees of certain land dedicated for the use of the Mudgee Agricultural Society to mortgage and sell the lands.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was introduced and read the first time.

MOTION FOR PRODUCTION OF PAPERS.

Mr. WOOD moved,—"That there be laid upon the table of this House all papers connected with the forfeiture of non-residential conditional purchase No. 89-47, Cowra, taken up by Ellen Josephine Ormsby on the 22nd August, 1889."

The motion was agreed to.

ASSENT TO BILLS.

Mr. SPEAKER announced that he had received a message from his Excellency the Governor notifying that he had appended the royal assent to the Field of Mars Resumption Bill and the Municipal Loans Bill.

SNAGGING THE DARLING RIVER.

Mr. SLEATH moved the adjournment of the House to draw attention to the failure of the Government to snag the Darling River. He made no excuse for moving his motion, for ever since he had come into the House he, with other members, had urged the Minister for Works to do something to clear away the obstructions in the river in order to make it navigable. The Minister at first stated he had no money available for such work, but he (Mr. Sleath) and other members had discovered this was not the case, as there was an unexpended balance of some £30,000 set apart for snagging the river. Last season 11 or 12 barges laden with wool were sunk through striking snags between Wilcannia and the mouth of the river. This was a disgraceful state of affairs, especially when it was remembered that the Darling River was the only possible outlet for the produce of the country intersected by that stream; and, of course, was the only means by which food, clothing, and general merchandise could be carried into the western country. He was simply paralysed when he heard the Minister say that the snags could not be removed as there was no water in the river. (Laughter.) Any practical man, or man of common sense, knew that when the river was dry it was the easiest thing in the world to remove the snags by boring a few augur holes in them and bursting them to pieces with dynamite charges. (Hear, hear.) In some instances it would be quite possible to destroy them by burning. (Hear, hear.) After a great pressure the Minister put on a small steamer to snag 1400 to 1600 miles of river, and at the present rate of progress the boat would go to pieces long before the work was completed by the grandchildren of the present workmen. (Laughter.) The Minister admitted to him that if the river were snagged below Bourke the produce of the western country would go to another colony instead of coming to Sydney, hence it was clear that it was the Sydney merchants who were controlling the Government in the matter.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS: That is not true.

Mr. SLEATH said it was a standing disgrace to the Public Works Department that the river should be in its present condition.

Mr. WADDELL said that some 150 miles of the Darling River flowed through his electorate, and he must say with regret that he was forced to endorse all that the hon. member had said with reference to the inability to get the Minister to carry out a necessary work. When they came to consider the immense difficulties with which the settlers on the Darling had to labour, and the scanty nature of public works, they had strong claims to have this work carried out. If they had waited 20 years they could not have got a more favourable time than had been the case a few weeks ago when the river was low. Even now it would not be too late. Some time ago it was said that the work would be done when a dredge had been procured from Victoria. To him it seemed strange that they should have to borrow a dredge from Victoria.

Mr. O'SULLIVAN said that one of two courses should be adopted—either the river should be cleared of snags, or a railway should be constructed from Nyngan to Broken Hill. Such a line would be profitable to New South Wales in a commercial as well as in a political sense.

Mr. GORMLY said the Crown tenants had a right to expect that for the money they paid into the Treasury they should receive something in return. The work should have been done when the river was very low some weeks ago.

Mr. MILLEN said there seemed to be a desire to attribute all the blame to this particular Ministry. Although it was somewhat to blame, it must not be forgotten that it was the first to take steps to make use of the great natural waterway of the river. He pointed out that owing to the dangerous state of the river the insurance on freight was as high from Bourke to Wilcannia as from Bourke to London. While the Government would, he hoped, clear the river of snags, he trusted it would go much further, and seriously take up the question of locking the river over a much larger portion than it has already done.

Mr. WILLIS said that as the money had been voted it should be expended for the purpose for which it was voted, or the Minister should show some reason why the vote should not be used.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS said it was all very well to say that as the money was available it should be spent, but unless they could get a fair return for the money there was no reason why it should be spent. On a previous occasion he explained to Mr. Sleath that he had entered into a contract for one steamer, and he would have taken two others if suitable ones could have been obtained on suitable terms. Owing to the river having fallen the steamer had become useless, because it could not be moved about. They would have to pay for the steamer for two months longer although it was idle. He had given the necessary notice to discontinue the contract, but if in the meantime the river rose and they could use the steamer fairly he would withdraw the notice. He would also be glad if they could get one or two other suitable steamers to work. In some parts of the river where it was absolutely dry it would no doubt be possible to snag the bed of the river without a steamer, but he did not suppose that applied to the whole river. He desired to do what was necessary to improve the river, but the river had not been in a suitable condition for the purpose. In view of some of the statements made he would have inquiries made as to whether any good could be done by sending bodies of men without a steamer, and if it was advisable he would be glad to do so.

Mr. LYNE said that a large number of the snags in the Darling River could be removed by work from the banks and by the use of explosives. He thought that when the river was low much of the work of snagging could be done more cheaply without a steamer. He thought that the question of locking the Darling below Bourke should be referred to the Public Works Committee. If they were going to utilise the Darling River as a highway it must be properly locked. All the assistance his side of the House could give would be given to the carrying out of this work if the Government would propose it. This would be the most advantageous way of utilising surplus labour. The Government should have a snagging plant in its possession. The work as a national one should be carried out at the earliest opportunity.

Mr. CHANTER said the process of snagging by means of steamers was the most tedious and most costly that could be adopted. Ten men who understood the work would do more in a week than a steamer would do in six months. When the river was dry the most effective and rapid manner of getting rid of the snags was to burst them to pieces by means of dynamite charges. It was a standing reproach to Parliament that such an important water highway should be left in such a disgraceful condition.

Mr. WATKINS said it appeared to him that whilst it was desirable to carry on snagging operations when the river was dry, he was also convinced from the debate that the work should proceed all the year round, and that to do so the Government should build a snagging boat of its own to carry on the work.

Mr. Sleath having replied,

The motion was negatived.

HUNTER DISTRICT WATER AND SEWERAGE BILL.

The MINISTER FOR WORKS moved that the Hunter District Water Supply and Sewerage Act Amendment Bill be returned to the Legislative Council with a message intimating that the Legislative Assembly agreed with certain amendments made by the Legislative Council in the bill, disagreed with others, and inserted a new clause.

The motion was agreed to.

THE COMMONWEALTH CONSTITUTION BILL.

The House resolved itself into Committee of the Whole to further consider the Commonwealth Constitution Bill in detail.

Postponed clauses.

Clause 88, "Uniform duties of Customs."

Mr. AFFLECK said that they had now in New South Wales freetrade after a long struggle, and he proposed to do something to prevent that policy being given up without the consent of the people.

Mr. ASHTON said that he thought all parties would agree to omit the clause altogether, as it was absurd, inasmuch as it made it absolutely mandatory that the Federal Parliament should frame a uniform tariff within two years.

Mr. AFFLECK moved the addition to the clause of the words "but such duties shall in no case exceed 10 per cent. on the cost of articles imported, except on narcotics and alcoholic stimulants." With the addendum sufficient money would be raised for the Federal Government.

Mr. MOORE as a prior amendment moved the omission of the words "uniform duties of Customs," in order to test the feeling of the House whether the clause should be in or not; and if the House thought it should be in, then Mr. Affleck would not be precluded from moving his amendment.

The amendment was agreed to on division by 35 votes to 33.

The clause was negatived on division by 56 votes to 15.

Clause 90, "Accounts to be kept."

Mr. PERRY said that the House having decided to give the Federal Parliament a free hand, he moved that the clause be omitted.

The clause was agreed to on division by 56 votes to 12.

Clause 91, "Expenditure."

Mr. LONSDALE said they should not limit the expenditure of the Commonwealth as proposed.

Mr. T. FITZPATRICK said he was opposed to the clause.

Mr. CRICK said the Government had passed half the clauses, and it would be a fair thing to omit the remainder. It would be a fair compromise. In the Upper House they wanted to knock all the clauses out.

Mr. PERRY said he would like to know if the Minister for Lands was in favour of the clause.

Mr. SLEATH said they had reached a stage at which it would be advisable to adjourn the debate till they knew the decision of the Legislative Council.

Mr. GORMLY said they should strike out all the financial clauses so as to show to the Federal Convention that Parliament did not approve of the manner in which the financial proposals were drafted. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. STOREY said they should give the Federal Parliament absolute power to tax people as much as it pleased and to spend as much money as it liked. (Laughter.)

Mr. BLACK said that members were treating the debate in a burlesque manner. He considered the clause should be agreed to. ("No, no.").

Mr. DACEY said the clause was put in with the palpable intention of misleading the people into the belief that the cost of federation would only be £1,250,000 per annum. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. MILLEN said that the committee to be consistent with its previous decision must strike out the clause. (Hear, hear.)

The committee divided on the motion that the clause stand part of the bill, and the clause was rejected by 38 to 26 votes.

Clause 92, "Payment to each State for five years after uniform tariffs."

Mr. MOLESWORTH said they had arrived at the stage when it would be better to negative the whole of the financial clauses and to tell the Federal Convention that the clauses were unsatisfactory. ("Hear, hear"; and "No, no.")

Mr. LONSDALE moved the omission of the words "during the first five years after" with a view of inserting the words "when uniform duties have been imposed the Commonwealth shall raise such amount of revenue from time to time as may be necessary, and any surplus after providing for the Commonwealth expenditure shall be returned to the States on such basis as the Commonwealth directs."

Mr. STOREY said he trusted the clause would be negatived, because no return of surplus revenue to the States would be satisfactory unless it was done on a per capita basis.

Mr. DUGALD THOMSON said they ought to deal with this fact,—that certain colonies which must be a party to the federation maintained from start to finish, and got inserted in the clause, after every effort of New South Wales to prevent the insertion, a guarantee of a certain aggregate return equal to the amount raised the year before the uniform tariff for Customs was introduced. If they had any intention of assisting federation at all they must recognise those strong views of the other colonies, and if New South Wales struck out that aggregate it must be prepared to suggest something in its place to enable those colonies to be satisfied that they would adjust their finances if those finances required adjusting. An amendment he would like to propose would be that each State should have power for five years after the establishment of uniform duties to impose a State duty either independent of or in addition to the duties of the federation up to 10 per cent., and have a sliding scale, so that at the end of that period they would gradually come to freedom of trade.

Mr. NEILD said they were merely beating the air—filling in time—in fact wasting time in dealing with so momentous a question without having information submitted to the House. The clauses would not only affect the future of the colony in its fiscal policy for years to come, but for all time—a bond that could only be broken at the edge of the sword.

Mr. PERRY: At the edge of your sword.

Mr. NEILD: That would be the hon. member's chance: he would run away. The Minister for Lands was found to tell the House what the clauses meant.

Mr. GORMLY said that considering the importance of the clause some Minister should have given an expression of opinion as to whether it should be passed or not. Some members of the Convention should explain these complicated clauses to the House. It would be better to reject the financial clauses when they were in the dark concerning them.

Mr. CRICK said it would be a matter for serious consideration whether some motion should not be tabled to bring the federation farce to an issue. He would strongly urge the leader of the Opposition to table a direct motion of censure upon the Government for its conduct in regard to the measure. If Ministers could not take the responsibility for the measure they had no right to be Ministers. The light way in which Ministers treated their responsibility for this bill was a pitiable spectacle. The bill was thrown before the committee to be mangled as hon. members pleased as far as the Government was concerned. That night no man seemed to be serious. (Hear, hear.) It would be far better to end the farce and go on with serious matters of legislation.

The MINISTER FOR LANDS said the Government had not made this a party question, and even at this late stage it would decline to make it a party question.

Mr. MILLEN said that when they went into a partnership the colonies would want to know on what financial terms they became partners.

The amendment was agreed to on division by 29 votes to 13.

Mr. LONSDALE moved that the clause be further amended so as to read, "When uniform duties of Customs have been imposed the Parliament of the Commonwealth may raise such an amount of revenue as may be deemed necessary, and any surplus shall be returned to the States on such basis as the Commonwealth shall provide."

The amendment was agreed to on division by 29 votes to 14.

The clause as amended was agreed to.

Clause 93, "Distribution of surplus."

The clause was negatived on the voices.

Clause 95, "No derogation from freedom of trade," was negatived on the voices.

Mr. GRIFFITH moved that a new clause be inserted among the judicial provisions providing that it shall not be lawful for any person holding a judicial office to hold a pecuniary interest in any business or trading institutions of any kind.

The amendment was negatived.

Mr. WATSON proposed a new clause to the effect that in the event of a dead lock between the two Houses the referendum be applied.

This was carried on the voices.

The House was sitting when we went to press.

COMPLIMENT TO MR. SYDNEY SMITH.

CANOWINDRA, Thursday.

An enthusiastic and largely attended meeting was held last night at the School of Arts, presided over by Mr. T. J. Finn, J.P., to consider the establishment of a local agricultural and mining institute. Mr. C. J. Beale, of Sydney and the Blue Jacket mine, Canowindra, being the leading spirit in the matter, very concisely explained the object of the meeting, with a result that a resolution to declare the institute formed was unanimously carried. Forty-eight members were at once enrolled. The movement promises to be very successful. At the conclusion a resolution was carried that this meeting desires to place on record its high appreciation of the able administration of the Department of Mines and Agriculture by the present Minister (the Hon. Sydney Smith) and the substantial benefits he is conferring on the community thereby, and to express the hope that he may long continue the work commenced.

AUSTRALASIAN LABOUR FEDERATION.

A meeting of the Sydney District Council of the Australasian Labour Federation was held at the Trades Hall last night. Mr. S. Smith presided. Messrs. J. Struck (Seamen's Union), R. M. Killof, and W. Turner were admitted as members of the council. A letter was received from the Barrier District Council requesting that Mr. Ben. Tillett should pay a visit to Broken Hill. A large number of other letters were received from different parts of the colony expressing hopes that Mr. Tillett would be able to visit the various districts. It was announced that representatives of the association would be present to meet the boat by which Mr. Tillett is expected to arrive in Sydney on Monday next. It was understood that shortly after his arrival a consultation between Mr. Tillett and the officials of the council should be held, and it was arranged by the reception committee that in the evening a meeting should be held at the Trades Hall, when an address would be presented to the English labour leader thanking him for the services he had rendered to the workers in the past.

NEW AUSTRALIAN TRADING STEAMERS.

Particulars of two new "Port" liners have been received by the agents, Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co. The Port Phillip was launched on the Tyne on the 17th of last month to the order of Messrs. William Milburn and Co. for this trade, and the Port Albert three days earlier went on her steam trial trip. The Albert is 25ft. longer than the Phillip, namely, 345ft., and both ships are extensively fitted up for rapid cargo working. They have, as in all other steamers of this line, a limited number of cabins, which are most comfortably furnished for the accommodation of saloon passengers only, and as they usually make 40 to 45 day passages out via the Cape, escaping the Red Sea heat, they have made a favourable name amongst a certain class of voyagers.

ABORIGINES' PROTECTION BOARD.

The weekly meeting of the Aborigines' Protection Board was held yesterday, Mr. Fosbery presiding. The Windsor police reported that the aboriginal camp at Sackville Reach had been destroyed by fire. The chairman said that he had forwarded two tents and blankets to that place. Mr. J. B. Hill said on visiting the Grafton aboriginal home he found the inmates happy and comfortable; they were working well fencing and cultivating the land. The manager of Cumeroogunga aboriginal station, Murray River, reported that of 194 inmates 55 were children attending school. The medical attendant reported that the health of the aborigines was generally good.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

THE TURF.

Pony and galloway races will be held to-day at Moorefield, the first event starting at 2.10 p.m. In addition to the ordinary railway service to Kogarah, special trains will leave Redfern station at 1 and 1.25 p.m.

The secretary of the Kensington pony and galloway races (Mr. P. O'Mara) will receive entries up to 5 p.m. to-day for the half-dozen events to be run on Thursday next. Particulars will be found in our advertising columns.

Messrs. J. Brown, I. Mayo, and Joseph Brown, owners of racehorses, waited on Mr. Oliver, Commissioner of Railways, on Wednesday at Newcastle as a deputation, with a request that the present rates for the conveyance of horses from Maitland to Sydney should be reduced. It was pointed out that many horses were already trained at Maitland, but if the railway rates were lower there was every probability that their number would be increased and additional business accrue to the department. Mr. Oliver promised that the matter would receive early consideration.

The pony and galloway races to be run at Canterbury Park on Wednesday next require attention to-day before 5 p.m., at which hour entries close with the secretary, Mr. W. L. Davis. The card will be found in our advertising columns.

The Murrumbidgee Turf Club hold a day's racing on the 4th September, and have provided prize-money to the extent of £85 for distribution over five events, the principal of which is the Show Handicap of 25 sovs. A hurdle race, the riders to be restricted to amateurs, finds a place on the card.

THE MORNING GALLOPS.

The early morn at Randwick yesterday was cold and foggy, and the grass track was most favoured by trainers, only a few gallops taking place on the tan. On the latter track Abercrombie cast six furlongs behind in 1 minute 23 seconds; and towards midday Kelso and Riviere were coupled for a mile trial, and the firstnamed won easily by five lengths in 1 minute 49 seconds. Survivor began the morning's work on the grass by just beating Loch Marie, with The Captain four lengths off at the end of a mile in 1 minute 50 seconds. Eos ran once round, and pulling up, covered the last mile in 1 minute 50 seconds. Marie May beat Rockdove rather easily at the end of six furlongs in 1 minute 22 seconds; and Gold Creek defeated Glendennon over a like distance in a second longer. Newman and Juvenile did a strong working gallop over the circuit of the grass, and Blanche Florence beat Combwood over six furlongs in 1 minute 22 seconds. Parthenopæus, after working steadily, finished up with a stoutly-run six furlongs, and Mutineer, without being extended, accounted for seven furlongs in 1 minute 40 seconds. Valador and Heritas slipped smartly over five furlongs, and after a short interval repeated the performance. J. B. C., accompanied most of the way by Sayles, covered the circuit in 2 minutes 15 seconds, and Prince Carbine beat Sortie over the same distance in a second less. Clarion had the better of Positano over the round in 2 minutes 15 seconds, both all out. Courage had more to say than The Meddler at the close of a mile, for which 1 minute 51½ seconds was the time registered; and Physician easily beat Ebony and Braeburn over a similar trip in a second less. Kallatina and Cadet had no trouble in defeating a couple of stable companions at the end of a mile in 1 minute 54 seconds. Robin Hood slipped over seven furlongs in 1 minute 35 seconds. Sadur easily beat Goulburn at the close of a six-furlong spin in 1 minute 21 seconds; and Lady Trenville, who is very sore, executed a strong mile and a quarter gallop. A number of others also worked, but their doings were not of much importance.

KENSINGTON PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

The pony and galloway races held at Kensington yesterday were well attended. The weather was fine, and the course, after the recent heavy rains, in good order. The stewards held an inquiry into the running of Sunshine in the Fourteen-two Welter Handicap, but, after hearing evidence, considered a caution would meet the case. The results are as follows:—

Fifteen Hands Handicap of 25 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—T. Higgins' ns ch g Benedick, 5 years, 6st 9lb (S. Whitbread), 1; W. Wellings' ns br g Walter, 6 years, 7st (J. Fanning), 2; J. Levy's br m Matrona, 5 years, 6st 11lb (E. Thompson), 3. Other starters: Churchlight, 8st 6lb; Sovereign, 8st 2lb; Markinch, 7st 6lb; She, 7st 13lb including 8lb over; Orange Bud, 7st. Betting: 7 to 4 v. Benedick, 5 to 2 v. Churchlight, 6 to 1 v. Markinch, 8 to 1 each v. Walter and Matrona. Won by two lengths, a length between second and third. Time, 58½ seconds.

Thirteen-three Handicap of 20 sovs., 4 furlongs.—F. Beckhouse ns br m Knotty, aged, 7st 8lb (L. Kuhne), 1; R. Gray's b m Not Yet, 5 years, 8st 3lb including 11b over (W. Woodgate), 2; T. Stubley's ch m Adella II., 6 years, 6st 10lb (F. Crockett), 3. Other starters: Mistletoe, 10st 5lb; Little Nell, 9st 6lb; Tucker, 8st 3lb including 1lb over; Silver Blaze, 7st 4lb including 1lb over; Vina, 6st 7lb. Betting: Even money on Vina, 7 to 1 v. Not Yet, 8 to 1 v. Adella, 10 to 1 v. Knotty and others. Won by a head, half a length between second and third. Time, 55 seconds.

Maroubra Stakes (Handicap) of 20 sovs., 6 furlongs.—L. Cherry's b m Rose I., 4 years, 7st 2lb (R. Marriott), 1; J. M'Mahon ns br blk h Satan, 4 years, 9st 9lb (E. Chenally), 2; S. Sharpe's g Bat-astat, 6 years, 7st (E. Whitbread), 3. Other starters: Essaru, 8st 10lb; Romp, 8st; Melissa, 7st 12lb; Uarda, 7st 6lb; Betsy Bay, 7st; Jack II., 6st 12lb; Kerruish, 6st 8lb, including 1lb over. Betting: 7 to 4 v. Romp, 3 to 1 v. Rose I., 5 to 1 v. Satan, 7 to 1 v. Melissa. Won by two lengths, the same distance between second and third. Time, 1 minute 17½ seconds.

Fourteen-one Handicap of 25 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—C. Ivery's b or br m Fawn, 4 years, 8st 7lb (R. Marriott), 1; H. Robinson ns ch g F.W., aged, 8st 10lb (F. Smith), 2; J. Webb's ch m Clarrie, 6 years, 8st 5lb (A. Williams), 3. Other starters: Two Up, 8st 12lb; Zenith, 7st 12lb; Cora, 7st 10lb; Kalls Kalls, 7st 10lb; Black Jack, 6st 12lb; Birth, 6st 9lb, including 2lb over. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Fawn, 2 to 1 v. Two Up, 7 to 1 each v. Clarrie and Birth. Won by a head, the same distance between second and third. Time, 1 minute.

Fourteen-two Welter Handicap of 25 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—R. Hoyle's b or br m Queensbury, aged, 7st 10lb (C. Deane), 1; M'Guire and Gaked's ch f Lily, 5 years, 8st 11lb (F. Kennedy), 2; J. C. Smith's b f Runnerse, 2 years, 7st 7lb (S. Whitbread), 3. Other starters: Sunshine, 9st; Snowball, 8st 5lb; Jessie, 8st 3lb; Black Duck, 7st 11lb; Tivoli, 7st 2lb. Betting: 7 to 4 v. Runnerse, 2 to 1 v. Jessie, 5 to 1 v. Tivoli, 8 to 1 v. Queensbury. Won by a length and a quarter, a length between second and third. Time, 58½ seconds.

Kensington Handicap (15.0) of 25 sovs., 1 mile.—G. Gallimore's b h Sedge, aged, 7st 12lb (E. Bower), 1; J. J. Nobbs's b m Fawn II., aged, 8st 7lb (F. Crockett), 2; J. Vernor's br g Jimmy, aged, 6st 8lb (S. Whitbread), 3. Other starters: Grand Clogs, 8st 5lb; Lady Lee, 8st 10lb; Storm, 7st 9lb; Remember Me, 7st. Betting: 7 to 4 v. Sedge, 5 to 2 v. Grand Clogs, 5 to 1 v. Storm, 7 to 1 v. Fawn II. Won by three lengths, a length between second and third. Time, 1 minute 47½ seconds.

CYCLING.

LEAGUE OF WHEELMEN.

The secretary of the league has received a wire from Queensland, stating that the Queensland League of Wheelmen were ready to sign the reciprocity agreement now existing between the leagues of New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia. It is confidently expected that Western Australia and Tasmania will join in the reciprocity agreement also.

AUGUST CARNIVAL.

League riders should note that entries close on Saturday next for all events to be decided at the August carnival, the principal events of which are: Winter Stakes, ½-mile, £15; Open Handicap, 2 miles, £35; Maiden Race, 2 miles, £8; and Five Miles Scratch Race, for the first day. August Handicap, 1 mile, £25, heat winners 10s; Second and Third Class Handicap, 3 miles, £15; First-class Handicap, 1½ mile, £15, the limit in this event is to be 100 yards; and Ten Miles Scratch Race, £25, with prizes of £3 and £1 for most meritorious pacing, for the second day. The secretary of the league has received word to the effect that W. Martin, the American rider, who always performs so well in Sydney, will be over for the meeting. He is in Noumea at the present time. That he is riding as well as ever will be seen from his latest performance in Noumea, when he defeated two of their foremost riders over a distance very easily. He is leaving Noumea by the first boat, and will arrive in ample time to appear at the carnival.

CYCLIST UNION.

The executive of the Cyclist Union have been successful in organising an amateur club at Mudgee, and the necessary steps are being taken to affiliate the new body with the union. Mr. D. E. Kilburn is the hon. treasurer and Mr. J. T. Marks hon. secretary.

The Bathurst Amateur Club have sent in an additional 20 members for affiliation with the Cyclist Union.

NEW SOUTH WALES CYCLISTS' UNION.

The executive of the Touring Union held their weekly meeting on Tuesday last at the clubrooms. Mr. W. R. George occupied the chair. Applications were received from 14 persons for membership. The appointment of an accomodation house for Springwood was confirmed. Mr. A. E. Hazlett wrote, forwarding a table of distances for various routes in the colony, also a chart of the coast line, containing information calculated to be of benefit to cyclists. A special vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Hazlett for his contribution. Mr. A. E. Pearson wrote withdrawing his resignation as an officer of the executive. It was resolved that a letter be sent to the trustees of the National Park, calling their attention to the bad state of portions of the Lady Carrington Drive, and asking them to have the necessary repairs effected in the interests of those who make use of that portion of the park.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

The local branch of the League of Wheelmen is making good progress, and a considerable addition has been made to the members' list.

FOOTBALL.

THE INTERCOLONIAL MATCH.

The N.S.W. team put in an appearance at the Sydney Cricket Ground yesterday afternoon, and indulged in light practice in kicking, passing, and sprinting.

The New Zealanders were out on the ground from 10 till 12 a.m., and went in for general practice, such as dribbling, passing, and plenty of good solid scrum work. They appear to be very fit, and in good form. Duncan, who was injured in the first match, and who it was thought would not be able to play for some considerable time, was also present, and though he appeared to the onlooker to be a trifle weak, he went in for any amount of hard work. There is a great probability that he will be selected, if so, will play five-eighth. The choice of the New Zealand fifteen will be made this morning, and the representatives of N.S.W. to-night.

CRICKET.

The annual meeting of the Elsinore Club was held on Wednesday evening at the residence of Mr. E. J. Roach, Birrell-street, Waverley. The annual report showed that the club last season won 19 matches out of a total of 23 played, the remaining four being lost. The report and the balance-sheet were adopted. The following officers were elected: —Patron, Mr. W. P. Allen; president, Mr. V. Adams; vice-presidents, Dr. Lamrock, Messrs. G. A. Ward, J. Hall, R. Beatton, H. Alexander, and E. J. Harrison; captain, Mr. S. Smith; vice-captain, Mr. L. Lewis; hon. treasurer, Mr. E. J. Roach; hon. secretary, Mr. R. Wray; general committee, Messrs. J. Dole, L. Lewis, S. Smith, and the treasurer and secretary; selection committee, Messrs. E. Lewis, J. M'Rae, and S. Smith; delegates to the Waverley Junior Association, Messrs. J. Dole, L. Lewis, and R. Wray.

The committee of the Paddington Club has expended the amount of £10 10s voted by the association to the second-grade team in presenting to each member of that team a cap of honour.

BOWLS.

THE FINAL FOR THE VICE-PRESIDENTS' TROPHY.

The final game for the handsome trophy, valued at £9 9s, presented by the vice-presidents of the New South Wales Bowling Association (Messrs. W. M'Leod, J. Forsyth, and Howe) eventuated on Wednesday at the Randwick Club's green, and resulted in a win for the Glebe Club, who beat the City team by 14 points, the scores being—Glebe, 46; City, 32. The City's defeat was caused by their No. 1 rink failing to score a single point after the 12th head, the City rink being then 12 as against Glebe's 8, the latter rink scoring after this no less than 22 to their opponents' nil. The City men led at the start, and kept the lead until nearly the third half-hour, when they were overhauled by the Glebe. The scores were as follows:—

No. 1 Rink.—Glebe: Buckle, Thornley, Vaughan, M'Pherson (captain), 30. City: Morris, Butler, Hale, Harris (captain), 12.

No. 2 Rink.—Glebe: J. A. Hogue, J. Purves, Huenerbein, Messell (captain), 16. City: Hedhard, J. C. Waine, Solomon, Josephson (captain), 20.

Totals: Glebe, 46; City, 32; majority for Glebe, 14.

The half-hour scores were: Glebe, 8, 15, 28, 46; City, 12, 21, 26, 32.

The first match for the Hosking's trophies was played on the Ashfield green on Wednesday afternoon, when Steel and J. M. Pierce defeated Butcher and Howard. The trophies are for pairs, 21 points up, and only those who have not won a first prize in any club are allowed to compete.

BILLIARDS.

CITY TATTERSALL'S TOURNAMENT.

The following heats in the above tournament were played last night:—J. Morris (receives 45) beat F. Rooney (receives 30) by 19; J. Walker (receives 125) beat L. Emanuel (receives 45) by 65. The games for to-night are:—J. Harper (receives 170) v. D. Melville (owes 10); S. Reeves (receives 190) v. A. Burton (receives 90).

BILLIARD MARKERS' TOURNAMENT.

The above was continued at Heiron and Smith's rooms last night, when A. Thompson (rec. 195) beat J. O'Connell (rec. 130) by 157. The heats for the semi-final will take place to-night, when G. Woods will meet T. Moore, and E. Robinson will meet A. Thompson; and the final will take place on Monday.

AMUSEMENTS.

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE.

His Excellency the Governor and suite visited Her Majesty's Theatre last evening, when "My Friend from India" was performed before a large audience. The two noteworthy features in De Souchet's piece, features which will be remembered long after the laughable complications of the story have been forgotten, are the interpolated monologue by Miss Alma Stanley and the lecturette by Mr. Harry Paulton. Our playgoers would have had no opportunity for realising Miss Stanley's talents as a mimic, or her vivacious charm as a comedy-actress, but for the scene referred to, which, with the graceful dance, won her a well-merited burst of enthusiasm last night; and Mr. Paulton's inimitably serious vein of humour was never employed to better purpose than his deliverance upon "Solomon as the Niagara of matrimony." The audience persisted in their enthusiasm until the comedian responded to the recall. "My Friend from India" will be played for the last time to-night.

SYDNEY LIEDERTAFEL.

The members of the Sydney Liedertafel gave their ninety-third concert at the Oddfellows' Temple last night, which, large as it is, proved all too small for the great audience, whilst the clouds of smoke from a hundred pipes and many more cigarettes and cigars proved somewhat stifling in the comparatively restricted area. The concert itself was in every way enjoyable. Mr. J. A. Delany opened the programme with "The Long Day Closes," solemnly sung in memoriam the late Sir Patrick Jennings, for many years president of the society. Amongst the new numbers Brahm's "Lullaby" and Durrner's "The Spring Again Rejoices" easily bore the palm, both for their own intrinsic merit and the artistic value of the interpretation. The gracious sweetness of the exquisite, lulling harmonies of Brahm's part-song charmed the ear all the more because they were vocalised with the utmost tenderness and delicacy; the "Spring Song," at first merely illustrating the blithe, open-air spirit we expect in such compositions, burst at last into sustained chords of so much richness and significance that the whole proved a striking piece of music. Mr. Delany conducted these numbers with especial success, and they were deservedly encored. Richard Wuerst's "The Golden Age," difficult though it was, was briskly and confidently given, but the interpretation generally was far too coarse to be worthy the Sydney Liedertafel. Two choruses may be mentioned to which solos were attached. In the familiar "Drinking Song," from "Cavalleria Rusticana," the choristers did fairly well; but Mr. J. Thompson Brown, in spite of a fine voice and correct intonation, quite missed the effect of joyous spontaneity and effervescent gaiety which makes the song so fascinating in its place in the opera. The soloist and chorus were heartily encored, but the rendering was of a northern character, and far removed from the spirit and "colour" of Italian opera.

Mr. Percy Bates was encored for "I Saw Thee Weep," the simple sentimental melody of which he sang with taste, using the voice with judgment in the high passages, whilst the chorus skilfully hummed a light accompaniment. The orchestra was at its best in Gabriel-Marie's dainty "Badine," both the pizzicato and cantabile portions of which were deftly played, so that an encore resulted. Mr. Leatheris was encored for a clever bassoon rendering (with orchestra) of "Lucy Long," the effect of tipsy gravity which characterised the tones of the weird instrument in the variations in the minor key especially exciting the hilarity of the audience. The chief soloist of the evening was Mr. Laurence Phillip, who decidedly raised the tone of the entertainment by the artistic sensibility and sure executive brilliancy he displayed in Raff's "Gigue con variazioni" (op. 91)—a truly fine piece of music. Mr. Phillip, who is playing especially well just now, responded to the applause with Tearf's captivating "Russian March." Mr. Foggitt was encored for "St. Anthony," and the singer, who has a nice bass voice, then sang with acceptable spirit and fluency a florid setting of "Myn Herr Van Dunck." Mr. F. Barnard, who has a high baritone voice which occasionally infringes upon the tenor quality, sang with care Watson's "Thy Sentinel Am I." Mr. N. J. Gehde accompanied the singers with judgment.

SOCIAL ENTERTAINMENT.

A complimentary social will be tendered Mr. Hyam Hyams at the Manchester Unity Hall tonight under the patronage of the Centennial, Imperial, Judge and Jury, and City Social Clubs.

ST. STEPHEN'S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

ANNUAL GATHERING.

SPEECH BY PROFESSOR HARPER.

The third anniversary of St. Stephen's Presbyterian Church was celebrated by a social gathering at the Y.M.C.A. Hall last evening. Advantage was taken of the occasion to extend a welcome to Professor Andrew Harper, of Ormonde College, Melbourne. The Rev. John Ferguson presided over a very large congregation. Among those occupying seats on the platform were the Revs. Dr. Geikie and Dr. Cameron, Revs. W. G. Maconochie, F. S. Forsaith, James Goudie, T. Hill, John Paterson, J. Ewen, J. Lamont, G. D. Buchanan, J. Macaulay, W. M. Dill Macky, T. J. Curtis, John Walker, R. S. Paterson, W. G. Fraser, J. Lumsden Fergusson, Messrs. J. Hogue, M.L.A., A. Campbell, M.L.A., John Kirkland, Alexander Dean, A. M'Pherson, J. K. Morice, James Anderson, Duncan M'Rae, Peter Reid, A. Martin, Colonel Goodlet, Dr. Storey Dixon, Dr. Marden, Messrs. John Garland (procurator), and William Wood (financial secretary).

The Chairman said they were met to celebrate their anniversary and to extend a welcome to Dr. Harper. In respect to membership and activity of their church life they had made distinct and gratifying progress. He welcomed Professor Harper as one recognised by the authorities in Great Britain to be in the foremost rank of Biblical scholars.

Professor Harper, who was loudly applauded on rising, spoke of the necessity of Presbyterians being true to the traditions of their church, and said that as far their ancestry and church polity were concerned they were second to no church in the world. (Applause.) They should remember that its foundation had been laid broad and deep, and that in the early days of turmoil and struggle its flag had been upheld through malice and persecution by brave and steadfast men. In the colonies the Presbyterian Church was well established. This was a democratic country, and no one would wish to see it otherwise: but the aim of democracy should be to form a society in which those who laboured with their hands should have the chance of living a life worthy of those for whom Christ died. (Applause.) That was what he thought democracy meant, not the leaders of a labour party overshadowing everything else. He hoped the democratic movement would never rest until they could look at the lot of the poorest among them with something like satisfaction. (Applause.) Presbyterianism was no respecter of persons; they were quite willing to see anybody in any position that he was fitted to fill. He believed that their Church, with its elastic constitution and its antipathy to sacerdotalism, was, if the members were true to themselves, destined soon to become more numerous and prominent than it had ever been. (Applause.) Referring to the future, Professor Harper said that Australia differed from the old land, where no lad could grow up without having his mind filled with memories and associations that bound him to the land of his birth. But the Australian poet would come, and he would reveal all the beauty and glory to be found in nature here as elsewhere, and would make Australians proud of their country, with a tenderness in their pride which could not yet be. If the Presbyterian Church was faithful, and took up the burden of its work sincerely and readily, it would do something worthy of the expectations formed of it, and of the future that was before them. (Loud applause.)

The Rev. Dr. Geikie, Colonel Goodlet, and Mr. Reid spoke briefly, expressing pleasure at the opportunity of welcoming Professor Harper to Sydney. Professor Harper suitably replied.

During the evening musical items were contributed by Mrs. Edwards and Messrs. Crane and Henry, and refreshments were afterwards served.

SIDELIGHTS ON THE JUBILEE.

"ROME EQUALLED, IF NOT SURPASSED."

A FRENCH TRIBUTE.

The French newspaper correspondents in London, and notably the accounts of those sent over by some of the leading newspapers specially for the Jubilee, agree in declaring that the festivities of 22nd June were an admirable success, that they were marked by incomparable brilliancy, and that the spectacle offered by London was unique in the annals of history. One cannot but admit (says the "Figaro") that Rome is equalled, if not surpassed, by the power which in Canada, Australia, India, in the Chinese seas, in Egypt, Central and Southern Africa, in the Atlantic, and in the Mediterranean, rules peoples and governs their interest.

JUBILEE PROMOTIONS AND THANKS.

Everybody agrees that the procession and ceremony were splendidly managed. Her Majesty, who has had an uncommon experience in these matters, shares this impression, and those who were mainly responsible for the result attained have received marks of her gracious approval. A Companionship of the Bath has been conferred upon the Hon. Reginald Brett, Secretary of her Majesty's Board of Works, who had a trying time of it for weeks before the ceremony; and the Grand Cross of the Bath has been conferred upon Sir Edward Bradford, Chief Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, and a Knight Commandership of the Bath upon Colonel Henry Smith, of the City Police.

In a Special Army Order the Commander-in-Chief states that he is commanded by the Queen to express her Majesty's approval to the Duke of Connaught of the admirable arrangements made by his Royal Highness for the military procession and the disposition of the troops along the route. Her Majesty further recognises the very efficient services of Major-General Lord Methuen, and her gratification at the appearance of all the forces, including the Colonial and Indian contingents—some 46,000 altogether—whose presence was an additional source of pride and satisfaction to the Queen-Empress.

The Queen has been pleased to direct that a special medal shall be struck for presentation by her Majesty to all Lord Mayors, Mayors, Lord Provosts, and Provosts within the United Kingdom. The medal, which is diamond-shaped, will be struck in gold and silver, and will be worn with a ribbon in the usual manner.

THE QUEEN'S PRAISE OF THE POLICE.

By the Queen's express command, the Home Secretary has signified "her Majesty's high appreciation of the forethought and discretion shown in the police arrangements made for the orderly conduct of the procession, and of the striking carefulness, tact, and discipline with which they were carried out by individual members, both of the metropolitan and of the city police forces." Sir Matthew White Ridley proceeds: "The complete success, marred by no serious accident, which has crowned the festivities in London incident to her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, is in the Queen's opinion largely due to the conduct of the police, and she desires me very specially to notify to you her extreme gratification at this fresh instance of their high efficiency."

The Home Secretary adds that the police plans and the success with which they were carried out especially impressed the representatives of the foreign Powers.

The Commissioner of Police has issued an order heartily thanking the men for the efforts which had produced the Home Secretary's letter of thanks.

The City Common Council on 24th June resolved to recognise the patience and ability of the police by giving them two extra days' pay and an extra holiday.

THE QUEEN'S DINNER DRESS.

At the grand dinner held at Buckingham Palace on Monday, 21st June, the Queen wore a magnificent dress of black moire antique, the design of which was large and handsome. The front was composed of exquisite gold embroidery in a symbolical device of suns in relief, surrounded by stars, each pattern forming the centre of a square wrought in diamonds, studding gold ribbons. Round the hem of the skirt was a wide band of rich and elaborate embroidery consisting of sprays of forget-me-not, ears of corn, lotus flowers and suns. Similar embroidery appeared upon the stomacher, which was outlined with fine black lace. A bertha of the lace trimmed the shoulders, and the basque was bordered with it. The short sleeves were composed of it. On another gown in preparation for her Majesty appears a rich silver embroidery in a design of rose, shamrock and thistle.

EVENING PARTY AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

By the Queen's command, a State evening party was given at Buckingham Palace on the 24th June. The list of those present, as given in the "Times," reads like a condensation of Burke or Debrett. It begins with the Prince and Princess of Wales and other members of the royal family, and proceeds by way of the Corps Diplomatique, the Army, the Navy, the Law, and so forth, through all the grades from "Dukes" to "Sirs." Herr Gottlieb's orchestra rendered a selection of music.

WINDSOR CASTLE ILLUMINATED.

After the Queen's dinner party Windsor Castle was brilliantly illuminated in honour of her Majesty. The display was carried out with coloured Bengal lights upon the North Terrace and the upper and lower battlements of the Round Tower, the changing hues of the red, green, and white lights revealing the majestic outline of the Palace Keep and the façade of the Royal Library and State Apartments on the north front. It was a magnificent spectacle, and was visible for some 10 miles to the residents upon the Buckinghamshire hills, about Beaconsfield, Gerrard's Cross, Taplow, and other places. Fireworks were discharged in the Home Park, and were witnessed by several thousand spectators, who assembled in the enclosure and along the Datchet-road. The band of the Coldstream Guards played during the programme.

LORD SALISBURY AND HIS HAT.

Of course, Lord Salisbury was one of the most observed of all the occupants of the privileged stands on St. Paul's steps. His Lordship looked very grey in his Privy Councillor's uniform—a typically bluff and burly representative of British statesmanship. By the curious it was observed that he kept his hat on during the service while everyone else was uncovered, but apparently this was a piece of pure inadvertence on his part, since he took it off afterwards.

THE QUEEN'S "JUBILEE" PARASOL.

As is well known, the Queen always makes a point of refusing to receive presents from her subjects in their private capacity. But on such an occasion as that which she celebrated on 22nd June it was only fitting she should make an exception in favour of one who had almost a claim upon her indulgence as being a "record-holder" himself.

The sunshade which her Majesty carried in the procession was, therefore, one which was presented to her by Mr. Villiers, the "father" of the House of Commons. It is entirely covered with costly flounces of the finest black Chantilly lace; it is mounted upon an ebony stick, with gold top, and a knob handle of gun-metal set with her Majesty's cipher and V.R.I. in diamonds, and has a suitable inscription in gold letters, inlaid round the handle thus:—"Presented to her Majesty on the occasion of her Diamond Jubilee, by her oldest Parliamentary member, C. Villiers."

BLACK MEN'S VERDICT ON THE PROCESSION.

The native soldiers a "Daily News" correspondent talked with smiled contentedly, and one and all declared it was very nice, but made them very tired. Said one member of the West Coast forces; "This place is too big, it has too many people in it. The people want to go out, away. I never thought of such a place as this." A fine soldier from Hongkong said: "I never thought that the Queen's country went so far away. The procession was very nice, very nice. The Queen looked very nice, and very young and good-looking for so old a lady." One picturesque darkie at Chelsea Barracks said: "They hadn't told us one half of what we should see. An intelligent-looking sergeant from Mauritius smilingly declared that his men had agreed that London was like heaven. "We can die now," they said. "We have seen the great crowd and the many nations, and kings and queens and princes and great men, and the beautiful streets. It was heaven, it was heaven, and now we can die." Curiously, a London costermonger's view was the same. "What do I think of the Jubilee?" he repeated. "Well, I think that if earth is like this, I don't want to go to heaven, that I don't." The authority of the policeman seems very generally to have impressed the more uncivilised of our visitors. A splendid looking Sikh indicated pantomimically the use of an eyeglass. He was, it seems, explaining that her Majesty had very carefully and closely scrutinised her Indian subjects. She had looked at them through her glasses, and they had been intensely gratified. They were amazed, too, at the extraordinary cheering of the people as they passed through the streets, so unlike the reception they would have met with anywhere in their own country, whatever might have been the interest in them. Their own countrymen would not cheer. They would simply stand and silently look at them.

ENGLAND'S JUBILEE REMONSTRANCE TO IRELAND.

These verses from "The Lobby Laureate" appear in the "Westminster Gazette":—

Why don't you Irishmen rejoice?
Why don't you raise on high your voice?
Why don't you share the jovial scene?
Why don't you shout, "God save the Queen"?
Why lurk you in your sullen lairs,
And give yourselves these senseless airs?
While every creature round, you see,
Is revelling in the Jubilee!
You've now been ruled a hundred years
By British Commoners and Peers,
Wisdom and Worth in these combine,
Who govern by a right Divine,
Whose earnest care for you is shown
By laws which at your heads are thrown—
Laws which when rightly understood
Are all intended for your good;
Laws which, when they don't chance to suit you,
We'll do not hesitate to shoot "you.
We send you Viceroys of renown
To rule this jewel of our crown,
And yet when Jubilee comes round
On all our kindnesses you're frowned;
Oh! surely 'tis a graceless task,
When such a little thing we ask,
For you like this to hold aloof,
And offer to your friends reproof.
Come, take a better line, we pray,
And celebrate with us the day;
Cease, cease this sad complaining voice—
Confound you Irishmen—rejoice!

THE JUBILEE JOINTS.

One of the most interesting details of the provincial celebrations has been the distribution of the 20,000 carcases of sheep despatched from Australia for the English poor. In Norwich, for example, 125 sheep and 20 quarters of beef arrived on Sunday, the 20th June, and were deposited in the City Hall. Twenty-four skilled butchers offered their services in cutting up, and for three hours went at their self-imposed task with a will, under the superintendence of the Mayor and Mayoress, till the long tables all down the hall were filled with prime joints. The recipients were selected after consultation with the Guardians and the philanthropic agencies in the city, widows with families coming first; and on Monday there filed in at one door, presented their tickets, received the joints in order as they were laid out, and went out by another door.

The railway companies deserve a word of praise in this connection. They very kindly undertook the collection, carriage, and delivery of the carcases free of charge. A railway company is popularly supposed to have no eye for anything except dividends. Let this kindly act be put down on the other side to their credit.

SYDNEY LADIES' SANITARY ASSOCIATION.

INAUGURAL LECTURE.

A lecture on "Consumption" was delivered by Dr. Sydney Jones to the Ladies' Sanitary Association at the Town Hall yesterday. The lecturer said that he would not be expected, nor would it tend to the edification of his hearers, to treat the subject in an academic way. His aim would be to set forth, as far as he was able, in plain and untechnical language—first, the nature of consumption; secondly, the ways in which the disease finds entrance to the body; and, thirdly, the measures which should be adopted to prevent its invasion and spread. Hippocrates, the father of medicine, who lived some 400 years before Christ, wrote on consumption, and from very early times it had been recognised as the most prevalent of all organic diseases. One-seventh of mankind died of tuberculosis, and the great majority of these from pulmonary tuberculosis, or consumption. As many as 50,000 died annually of consumption in Great Britain and 4000 in Australasia. The terms consumption, phthisis, tubercular consumption, and tuberculosis were often met with. The word consumption meant, of course, wasting, as also did the word phthisis, which is derived from a Greek word signifying to waste. In later years, when the practice of making post-mortem examinations became general, it was found that little nodules of a sagolike substance were to be seen in the lungs of these sufferers, and these were called tubercles. Hence the name tubercular consumption came into use. When these tubercles were present in several organs of the body it was said that the individual suffered from general tuberculosis. Referring to the investigations made by Professor Koch Dr. Jones said that in the year 1882 he discovered that these tubercles were invariably associated at some period of their existence with a little microscopic rod-shaped body of a vegetable nature. This was the bacillus of tubercle. Its length varied from the 25,000th to the 70,000th part of an inch. It was a parasite, and the nature, as far as was known, grew only in the bodies of men and animals affected by the disease. Wherever deposited, it might grow and multiply to an indefinite extent. Outside the body it can be cultivated in specially-prepared substances, such as solidified blood serum and potato; but it does not occur naturally in any particular soil or medium. He dealt with the characteristics and life history of the bacillus tuberculosis, and went on to consider the second part of the subject, namely, the modes of infection, or, in other words, the different ways in which the bacillus entered the body. Excluding the possible, but very rarely observed, infection of the child before birth by the mothers, there were, Dr. Jones said, three ways, namely—first, by inoculation; second, by swallowing tuberculosis material; and third, by inhalation of the bacilli. The third way in which the bacillus might enter the system was the most common, the one with which they were most interested to-day. Heredity from early times had been regarded as a powerful predisposing cause of consumption. Especially was this the case before Koch's discovery of the bacillus of tubercle. Now that they knew that the bacillus was the cause of the disease they attached less importance to hereditary predisposition, because, although the fact remained that the disease often attacked several and sometimes all the members of a family, it must be remembered that, living together under one roof, they were constantly surrounded by tubercular material, and therefore much more exposed to attack than others not so situated. He was not prepared, however, to affirm that heredity had no influence, for there would appear to be a vice in the constitution of some people which rendered them abnormally susceptible. In conclusion he would like to recapitulate in a few sentences what he had tried to make clear:—1. That consumption was an infectious disease, communicable and communicated from man to man and from animals to man. 2. That consumption was curable in its early stages. 3. That an upcountry life in the dry climate of the inland plains or in the rarefied air of the mountain heights and an outdoor occupation were the most important factors in the cure of the disease. 4. That by close and skilled inspection of slaughter-houses and dairies, by destruction by fire or by powerful antiseptics of the sputa and other tubercular matter immediately upon its discharge from the body, by boiling all the milk and thoroughly cooking all the meat that is consumed, we may practically prevent the invasion and spread of tubercular disease.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

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CUSTOMS-HOUSE.—Entered outwards: July 29. Marana (s.), 1505 tons, Captain C. Thorpe, for Brisbane, via ports; Dovedale (s.), 2831 tons, Captain A. Paul, for Fremantle; Severus (s.), 3460 tons, Captain W. Brandt, for London.

Captain R. H. Smith reports that the Fona left Sydney on the 29th May and Newcastle the same date, arriving at Herbert River (Queensland) on the 5th June. After discharging cargo and loading at Townsville and Flatter Island, left on the 14th and arrived at Fiji on the 23rd June, discharging cargo at the various mills of the company, and loading a cargo of sugar. Finally left the group on the 13th, and, arriving at Auckland on the 16th, left again at midnight on the 20th, and arrived in port on the 29th. Experienced some heavy E. weather between the Queensland coast and Fiji, strong variable winds to the 25th, followed by a fierce E. gale, lasting 36 hours, then moderate to arrival.

The Oonah left Hobart for Sydney at 9 p.m. on Wednesday.

The Mararoa left Wellington for Sydney at noon on Thursday.

Captain L. Taplin reports that the steamer Burrawong crossed the Macleay bar at 8 p.m., left Trial Bay at 11 p.m., and arrived at Sydney at 8 p.m. the 29th. Had light variable winds and fine weather throughout.

Captain C. A. Thorpe reports that the Marana left Brisbane on Tuesday, the 27th instant, at 5 p.m., and arrived at Sydney on Thursday at 5.30 p.m. Experienced strong winds, rain, and rough sea until night of 28th, thereafter moderate sea until arrival.

The Bells, barque, from Kaipara, left on the 2nd instant, had W. and N.W. to N.E. till the 7th instant, then a strong gale from W. till the 10th, moderate weather till the 14th, and fresh N.W. winds to the 16th, fresh S. and S.W. winds to the 20th. On the 21st had heavy thunder-squalls from the N.W., thence fine to the 25th, when a heavy easterly gale with heavy rain squalls and high sea set in. At 4 a.m. on the 26th hove the ship to till 6 p.m. At 8 p.m. the wind shifted to S., blowing a strong gale, lasting till 4 p.m. on the 27th. Thence light variables to port. Anchored in Johnstone's Bay. The barque has a kauri pine cargo.

The Corryvrechan has berthed at Smith's Wharf, where she is receiving good despatch for London.

Captain James Grahl reports that the steamer Barrabool left Rockhampton on Friday, the 23rd July, at 3.30 a.m., calling at Bundaberg and Brisbane. Left Brisbane on Tuesday, the 27th, at 5 p.m., and arrived in Sydney on Thursday, the 29th, at 10.40 p.m. From Bundaberg to Brisbane had strong S.W. winds and rain at intervals. From Brisbane to Sydney moderate to fresh southerly winds, overcast, and drizzling rain at intervals.

The barquentine Chittoor to-day berths at Moore's Wharf, whence she will be despatched to the Solomon Islands on Tuesday by Mr. G. J. Waterhouse.

The Orlando, H.M.S., arrived off Cape Moreton yesterday morning from Hervey Bay, and left in the afternoon for Sydney.

The Fifeshire, for Brisbane, from London, resumed her voyage from White Cliffs yesterday.

The Aristides was off Dungeness on the 19th June, London to Sydney.

The Henry left Algoa Bay on the 23rd May for Sydney.

The Pyrenees left Hamburg on the 18th June, and Senator Petersen left New York on the 17th June, for Sydney.

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The mails which left Sydney per R.M.S. Cuzco on 2nd ultimo, arrived in London on afternoon of 28th instant. They were due on that day.

The R.M.S. Duke of Sutherland left Suez on the 27th instant outward for Queensland ports.

PASSENGERS BY THE ABERDEEN LINE STEAMER NINEVEH.

The following passengers have booked by the Aberdeen White Star liner Nineveh to be despatched at 3 p.m. to-day, by Messrs. Dalgety and Company, for Capetown and London, via ports. For London: Mr. and Mrs. M'Lean. For Capetown: Misses B. Erwin, M. Lenthall, Jessie & Grey, Mrs. Bacon, Mrs. and Miss White, Mrs. Benson and child, Mr. Austin Dowling, Mr. R. Dennath, Mr. E. W. Hunt, and 30 in the steerage.

THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY'S LINE.

The Taiyuan left Sydney on Wednesday for Hongkong and Japan, via Queensland ports. The Tsinan is due to-morrow at this port from Japan, via ports, and returns to China on the 11th proximo. The Changsha left Hongkong 22nd July for Sydney, via ports, due 19th August. The Chingtu is to sail from Hongkong 10th August for Australia. The Company's Foochow left Newcastle on Monday night for Manila direct.

THE HOWARD SMITH LINE.

The Gabo left Sydney on Tuesday last for Melbourne, Adelaide, and Western Australian ports. The Burwah left Sydney on Tuesday last for Brisbane, Maryborough, and Rockhampton. The Barrabool sailed on Tuesday last for Townsville, via ports. The Leura left Brisbane on Wednesday for Sydney and may be expected to arrive here this (Friday) morning, sailing again at 3 p.m. on Saturday for Melbourne. The Peregrine left Melbourne for Sydney on Wednesday and sails again from here on Saturday at 1 p.m. for Brisbane and Northern Queensland ports. The Tyrian leaves Townsville on Saturday for Sydney, via ports, and may be expected to arrive here on Friday, 6th proximo. The Konoowarra leaves Brisbane for Sydney to-day, and may be looked for here during Sunday. The Brand left Adelaide on Wednesday for Newcastle direct. The Derwent leaves Rockhampton on Friday for Brisbane, via Maryborough.

JAPAN MAIL LINE.

The Sagami Maru arrived at Melbourne yesterday, and returns to Sydney to-morrow, leaving here on Saturday, 7th August, for China and Japan. The Yamashiro Maru is expected at Thursday Island on Tuesday next, and may be looked for in Sydney on Friday, 13th August. The Omi Maru left Kobe yesterday, and should be at Yokohama to-day, returning to the colonies on the 6th August. The Tokio Maru, having been docked at Kobe, will make a few trips on the Japan coast, take up her regular trip on the Australian line, leaving Yokohama on the 20th August.

SHIPPING CASUALTIES.

With regard to the stranded scow Whangarei, which got ashore on the New Zealand coast while on a voyage from Newcastle to Foxton, a report says, "She has been washed up on the beach by the heavy westerly weather, but there are still hopes of her being floated." The steamer Wainui, of the Union line, goes to Port Chalmers to be repaired. She was found to be badly damaged by the rocks in the French Pass.

A BLIND PASSAGE is your vermiform appendix. An oat husk getting in there will kill you. EAT QUAKER OATS. Free from husks, sweet, creamy, dry.—[ADVT.]

WHY QUAKER OATS?—A 2lb. package of QUAKER OATS measures 20 cubic inches more than other makes of the same weight. Why? Because they are free from moisture, are all oats, pure, clean; no husks, smooth, flaky, QUAKER OATS.—[ADVT.]

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Thursday Evening.

There was a moderate business in the Stock and Share market to-day, prices generally remaining firm. New South Wales Funded Stock, Act of 1892, again brought 113. Colonial Sugar debentures, due 1914, were inquired for at 110. Commercial Bank of Sydney and Bank of New South Wales hardened a trifle; and the same is reported of the deposits of the Australian Joint Stock Bank, 3d advance being given for the original deposits. Port Jackson Steam rose 1s. United Insurance were rather stronger. Gaslight continued steady. Marshall's Brewery fell 2d, and Silverton Tramway 1s 6d. For Intercolonial Building an advance of 6d was offered.

On the Sydney Stock Exchange the following sales were reported:—At 1 o'clock: New South Wales Funded Stock (Act of 1892), 113; City Bank of Sydney (old), 73s; Commercial Bank of Sydney, 22¾; A.J.S. Bank (original) deposits, 11s 9d; ditto A, 15s; Australian Gaslight, 16¼; Marshall's Brewery, 3s 8d; Silverton Tramway, 105s, 104s 9d. At 4 o'clock: Commercial Bank of Sydney, 22¾; Shale and Oil, 5s. The closing quotations were:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Prices. Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.
	£	£	£	p.c.			
N.S.W. Funded Stock Act, 1892	2,598,010	...	...	4	113	112¾	113¼
Ditto Act, 1873	530,180	...	...	4	128½	...	...
Ditto Deb., 1902	330,300	...	...	5	109	108	113
Ditto Deb., 1909		...	...	...	108¾		...
N.Z. Deb., 1913	300,000	...	...	4	106	106	...
Q'land Deben.	...	...	...	4	100½	106	...
Colonial Sugar— Deb., 1914	...	...	...	5	106½	110	...
Deb., 1899	...	...	...	5½	104	...	...
Deb., 1898	...	...	...	5½	102½	...	...
Girilambone Deb., 1902	...				...	100	—
BANKS.							
Australian J. S.	1,166,578	10	7½		2 9	2 9	
City	240,000	10	8	4	73	73/	75/
New Issue	160,000	10	8	4	74/	...	74/
Com. of Aus. pref.	2,117,070	10	10	...	67/6	64/	
Com. of Syd.	1,000,000	25	12½	8	22¾	22¾	
N. S. Wales	1,946,240	20	20	9	35½	35¾	36¼
Union	1,500,000	75	25	5	28	25½	...
DEPOSITS.							
A.J.S. Bank, Negotiable	—	...	...		11 9	...	
Class A	—	...	...	..	15/	14 9	15 3
Class B		...	...	...	10 3	10/	10 6
Ditto, Inscribed	391,141	...			...		...
Com. of Aus., A series, 1898	5,535,086	...	...		15 7	16/	19/
Ditto assets					14 6	15 6	...
E. S. & A. series					15/	14 9	
Ditto, Transf'ble	517,000	...	...	...	18 6	18 6	
Ditto, Debentrs.	1,017,248	...	...	...	18/	17/	18/
Inc., pref.	1,000,000	...	...	..	12 3	13 6	
Ditto, def.	1,000,000	...	...	...	...	11 6	
Nat. of Aust.		...	..	...	19 7½	...	...
Q'land National	6,018,000	...	...	..	15/		
STEAM.							
Illawarra	58,096	5	3½	8½	6	5¾	6¼
N. and H.R.	100,000	1	1	6	17 6	17/	18/
North Coast, x d	121,743	1	17 6	6	16 3		
N.S. Ferry	60,000	1	1	10	44/	44/	
Port Jackson	54,640	6	66/		18/	17/	20/
INSURANCE.							
A. M. Fire	25,000	1	5/	22½	18 9	19/	
City M. Fire	15,000	1	2/	10	3/	2 10	3 1
Mer. Mut	26,250	1	3 6	15¾	9 3	9 3	
New Zealand	300,000	10	2	13¾	70 6		
United	62,500	10	2½	12½	86 6	85/	89/
Ditto New	5,725	10	12 6	12½	18 6		
GAS.							
Australian	681,738	6	6	9/	16¾	16½	16¾
City Goulburn	10,000	1	1	15	46/		
Grafton	8,000	1	1	8	24 6	23/	...
Manly	15,000	1	1	7	24/	23/	25/
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	6	18 9	18/6	19/
Newcastle, x d	25,127	2	2	12½	97 6	95/	100/
North Shore	80,000	1	1	6	27/	26 6	27/6
Ditto, New	10,000	1	10/	6	13 6	13 6	...
BREWERIES.							
Australian	96,000	1	1	5	14 6	—	12 6
Castlemaine and Wood Bros.	250,000	...	1	4	18/	17/10½	18 1½
Marshall's	31,280	10	5/	3	3 8	3 6	3 9
Perkins'	58,331	15	15/	10	20 8		
Tooth's	900,000	1	1	7	23/	22 9	23 3
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Aarons'	17,500	15	10/	5	3	2 6	...
B.H.W. Sup.	186,500	1	1	10	18/7		
Burns, Philp	250,000	1	1	8	25 6	25/	
Ditto	17,500	1	5	8			
Col. Sugar	1,702,000	20	20	10	29 18	29½	29¾
Dalgety Co.	1,000,000	20	5	8	96		97/
Eagle Tobacco	71,500	13	9 6				2 1
Emu Gravel	14,000	1	1	2½	4 6	4/	
Fresh F'd & Ice	108,000	1	18	8	21/		...
Harrison, Jones, and Devlin	50,000	1	1	8		...	...
Ditto	50,000	1	10/	8	10 6		
Mont de Piété	73,467	1	1	10	34/6	34/	34 6
Perm. Trustee	25,000	5	2 6	4	1 10	1 9	1 10
Perp. Trustee	25,000	10	5/	6	7 6	7 3	8 6
Mort's Dock	150,000	1	1	...		9 6	...
Richardson and Wrench	80,000	1	1	4	9		9 3
Shale and Oil	75,000	1	15/	3½	5/	4 10	5 2
Silv. Tram	197,806	1	1	50	104 9	104 6	105
Syd. Exch.	30,000	10	10	7	14¾	14¾	16
Syd. Hydr.	75,000		10/	10	21/		23/
Vic. Land Orders					125		...
LAND & BUILD.							
Haymark't Dep.		...	13/			11 6	...
Industrial Prov.	100,450			6	15¾	14/	
Intercolonial	32,904	20		10	11 3	10 6	
Excelsior Dep.					6 11	6 6	7/2
Federal B. Dep.				...		13/	
Syd. & Sub. Den.					10/	8 6	10/

The report of the Australian Joint Stock Bank naturally bears evidence of the unfavourable conditions of the transitional period through which it has passed during the past half-year. Payment of 4½ per cent. interest on deposits for more than four months and the expenses of the new arrangement have entrenched on the earnings and left a loss of £53,506. The principal figures of the balance-sheet compare with those of the two preceding half-years as follows:—

—	June 30, 1896.	Dec. 31, 1896.	June 30, 1897.
LIABILITIES.	£	£	£
Capital paid-up	1,166,922	1,166,525	1,166,578
Reserve	50,000	52,000	52,000
Net profit	20,628	—	—
Notes in circulation	128,615	148,006	112,996
Deposits, stock, and interest	7,435,565	7,397,856	7,238,764
ASSETS.			
Coin and bullion	804,662	834,590	730,729
Government securities and other cash items	511,966	535,878	434,642
Bills, &c.	7,486,789	7,139,457	7,113,848
Bank premises	450,897	448,244	401,941

The general position is not greatly changed since the corresponding period of last year, the reduction of the liabilities being accounted for mainly by the payment of high-priced deposits to relieve the bank before the new arrangement was determined on. The condemnation of the direction by British depositors evoked a perhaps natural spirit of defence on the part of the shareholding interest in the bank, which regarded itself as having been somewhat hardly treated. At the depositors' meeting nothing occurred that could be deprecated, and the newly-elected directors in returning thanks emphasised the importance of depositors uniting with shareholders in the support of the business of the bank, and of thus restoring the institution to the full confidence of both the Australian and British public. It was very truly said that, though bad seasons and special conditions frequently brought classes and institutions into trouble in Australia, recovery was often equally rapid. And in such circumstances the work of directing the institution was entered upon hopefully. Though it is declared by some that Australia is overbanked, it is undoubtedly true, as stated, that young countries must continue to be largely supplied with capital for the employment of labour and the development of their resources. And though disorganisation seems to have temporarily weakened the banking system, its operations will in the main continue to meet the increasing monetary requirements of all classes in the community. And the Australian Joint Stock Bank, with easier terms and new blood, may be expected to share in the general recovery.

The annual meeting of Aarons' Exchange Hotel Company was held to-day, Mr. T. H. Kelly presiding. The report was adopted, and a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum was declared. The retiring director (Mr. T. H. Kelly) and the retiring auditor (Mr. James C. Taylor) were re-elected. A vote of thanks to the directors terminated the meeting.

The ninth half-yearly meeting of the Emu Gravel and Road Metal Company, Limited, was held to-day, Mr. T. F. Thompson presiding. The report presented showed the net profits, inclusive of £96 brought forward from last half-year, to have been £516, of which a dividend of 1d per share absorbed £425, leaving £91 to be carried forward. The trade of the quarries remained in about the same condition as in the previous half-year, but brighter prospects were anticipated in the future. Freight on their material had been reduced on the railways, so that they could now more favourably compete for trade. The report was adopted.

The fifth annual meeting of the Civil Service Building and Investment Society, Limited, was held last evening, Dr. James C. Cox presiding. The directors report stated that the low rates of interest ruling had caused them much anxiety in their efforts to profitably invest the funds of the society. The sum to credit of profit and loss account, however, was £787, with which a dividend of 5 per cent. per annum for the half-year was paid, free of income tax, thus absorbing £379. Of the balance £300 was transferred to the reserve fund, leaving £108 to be carried forward. The report was unanimously agreed to, and Dr. Cox, the retiring director, and the retiring auditors, Messrs. F. A. Thorpe and Robert D. Petrie, were re-elected unopposed. The usual vote of thanks to the directors was carried.

The banking averages in New South Wales for the quarter ended 30th June appear in another column. The principal figures compare with those for some preceding quarters as follows:—

Quarter.	Deposits.	Note Circulation.	Coin and Bullion.	Advances.	Percentage of Reserves to Liabilities.
	£	£	£	£	p. c.
Dec., 1892	35,564,192	1,433,871	5,313,205	44,195,729	13·1
Mar., 1893	35,994,353	1,423,988	5,869,013	42,577,987	15·3
June, 1893	34,855,708	1,655,126	6,584,791	43,000,084	15·2
Sep., 1893	33,171,113	2,197,820	5,781,528	42,897,227	16·3
Dec., 1893	31,141,957	1,906,120	5,973,274	42,117,657	18·1
Mar., 1894	31,170,047	1,392,024	6,876,944	40,759,893	21·1
June, 1894	30,431,508	1,215,173	7,188,905	40,240,909	22·5
Sep., 1894	30,504,527	1,135,206	7,189,294	40,282,023	22·6
Dec., 1894	30,248,626	1,233,098	7,470,631	39,785,781	23·6
Mar., 1895	30,334,129	1,243,611	7,724,840	38,305,432	24·4
June, 1895	29,393,411	1,144,618	7,611,900	38,407,517	24·3
Sep., 1895	29,873,151	1,122,198	7,314,390	38,709,258	23·4
Dec., 1895	30,085,406	1,223,864	7,516,279	38,502,587	23·8
Mar., 1896	30,383,542	1,205,170	8,076,799	37,906,890	25·1
June, 1896	29,749,754	1,153,248	7,091,845	37,751,898	24·6
Sep., 1896	29,232,053	1,124,373	7,404,589	37,891,455	24·5
Dec., 1896	29,207,308	1,238,964	6,930,696	37,524,872	22·6
Mar., 1897	29,921,205	1,250,070	7,144,963	37,519,060	22·8
June, 1897	29,699,285	1,176,076	6,446,821	38,301,717	20·7

The figures show a substantial increase in advances amounting to £782,657, the only second quarter of the year for some time which has presented larger figures under this head. The considerable export of gold in excess of the import is a feature of the return, the reduction amounting to £693,142. The deposits have declined £221,920, wholly represented by those not bearing interest. The figures given elsewhere show that the shrinking tendency of the interest-bearing money of the banks has been checked. This may be accounted for by the greater willingness of banks to accept money for their extending businesses. Though a reduction of £73,994 is apparent in the average of circulation, this is still about £23,000 in excess of the total in the corresponding quarter of 1896. The stock of gold, though less than has been held since 1893, represents the substantial ratio of 20·7 per cent. of the total liabilities to the public.

Following the example of South Australia, Victoria proposes to take the inscription of the public stock into its own hands. Of this there is £32,830,000, on which the charge is £500 per million for the first 10 millions, £450 per million for the second 10 millions, and £400 per million for the balance, amounting in round figures, as stated in our cable message, to about £15,000 per annum. This contract leaves a pretty considerable profit, if the offer by the London and Westminster Bank to accept £80,000 for its surrender represents a compromise. The average currency of the whole of the stock is barely 20 years, assuming repayment to take effect from the date when the Government has the option to redeem certain portions of it. The present worth of an annual payment of £15,000 for 20 years, with money valued at 3 per cent., is about £230,000. This compromise of £80,000, therefore, means that for a service contracted to be rendered at a sum of which the present value is about £230,000 the bank asks an immediate payment of £80,000, or more than one-third of the whole. If, as we have said, this is a compromise, the bank abandoning only a portion of its pecuniary advantage, then it will be seen how considerable is the profit derivable from the inscription of loans on the terms stated. It would be interesting to know how much more than £80,000 represents the real profit on this contract for £230,000. At all events the figures suggest that the Government may effect some economy in the interest of the country by inscribing the stock on its own account, as proposed. As a rule, we do not think Governments can render service as cheaply as private institutions, but these figures certainly suggest an exception to the rule.

The sixteenth half-yearly meeting of Richardson and Wrench, Limited, was held this morning, Mr. A. J. Cape presiding. The report of the operations showed an amount of £1681 for distribution. A dividend at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum was declared, absorbing £1200, and £481 was carried forward to next half-year. Mr. R. P. Richardson was re-elected director to the company, and Mr. H. W. Chambers's appointment as auditor confirmed. The meeting terminated with the usual vote of thanks to the directors and officers of the company.

IMPORT MARKET.

The month is closing very quietly as far as wholesale transactions are concerned, but very actively in regard to distributing orders. No material change can be reported. Despite the heavy supplies of imported flour on spot, offers are still being cabled to New York for Manitoba makes, but whether these will lead to business in the present state of the American markets remains to be seen. Sugar had but moderate attention, buyers curtailing their orders in view of the approaching opening of the new season. Groceries, dried fruits, Eastern produce, &c., were in steady request at quotations. A good line of English malt was placed on contract at current rates. Liquors remained without material change. In the hardware market there was not very much done, nor were jute goods nor oils much inquired for. Turps, however, sold more readily, in view of the recent advance in New York. Chemicals were quiet and unchanged.

Breadstuffs.—In the absence of business wheat must be quoted nominal. The market is very irregular, buyers' and sellers' views showing much disparity. Yet there seems rather more prospect of their coming together since the recent advance in the world's market.

Already in South Australia the prospective prices at which the new crop will open are being considered. With an area equal to that of last year, viz., 867,545 acres under crop, and a 10 years' average yield of 11·74 bushels per acre, New South Wales will also have to export. Under such circumstances this colony would have 10,195,000 bushels of wheat, whereas her internal requirements, with only a moderate intercolonial export trade, would not much exceed 9,000,000 bushels, or, in other words, there would be about 1,000,000 bushels which would have to find its way to Mark Lane. In addition, last year a larger proportion of wheat was cut for hay than usual owing to the dry weather that preceded the maturing of the grain, so that the acreage under grain may be proportionately larger, although it is not thought that the total area has increased materially. And when it is remembered that in good seasons 12, 13, and even up to 16 bushels per acre have not been uncommon yields, the quantity for export may be even larger. It is then with more than usual interest that the views held in South Australia are received. Some, it is said, in the Southern colony have ventured to suggest 3s 6d as the probable value of shipping wheat in January next year. This is how the position is summarised by the "Advertiser":—"First, at 3s 6d per bushel the cost per quarter is 28s; freight at, say, 30s a ton takes 6s 3d; exchange at ¼ per cent. on shipping cost, insurance on the same basis and commission for selling in London at 1 per cent. on the home price amounts to 9½d or 10d a quarter, the total cost being approximately 35s 3d a quarter."

According to our cable advices last Saturday Californian wheat was worth 33s per quarter of 500lb., ship's slings, London, and another 1s advance has since been recorded, bringing the price up to about 34s. Australian wheat goes fewer pounds to the quarter, but the difference in quality more than makes up the deficiency in quantity. As mentioned yesterday, the Mark-lane figure would have to reach over 40s per quarter to admit of exportation at current rates. It is therefore satisfactory that although the advances in London may not have very much immediate effect on our temporary glutted market each 1s rise that occurs brings the figure 1s nearer to the 40s level, and consequently reduces the magnitude of the prospective fall when exportation is resumed. Locally wheat is quoted at 4s 3d Darling Harbour delivery. Flour at £12 for city roller, £11 10s to £11 15s for country, £10 to £10 10s for Californian, and £12 5s to £12 10s for Manitoba. Regarding the Adelaide market Messrs. J. Darling and Son state:—

Wheat.—Quietness generally prevails in our breadstuffs markets, and, as the demand is extremely limited, many of our millers having stopped working, values of wheat may be given at about 3s 1d per bushel Port Adelaide, and about the same price at leading outports. The trade is remarkably quiet in Victoria, and but little business to report during the past week. Values may be given as 3s 10d to 3s 10½d delivered in Melbourne. In Riverina the crop prospects are fairly good; the market is extremely quiet.

Flour.—A small trade continues to be carried through, but supplies are principally being delivered under contracts entered into some time ago. Values are more or less nominal at £12 10s to £13 per ton for ordinary and best patent roller delivered in Adelaide. Values in Melbourne are unchanged, with but little business passing at £14 15s to £15 per ton.

Tea.—Privately the only business recorded was the sale of 40 chests of Ceylon broken pekoes at 10d to 11d per lb.

Messrs. H. W. Carey and Co. will offer to-morrow (Friday) 1479 packages of Foochow congou, 608 Ceylon, and 103 Indian teas, as well as 20 bags of Tahiti coffee, on account of the importers, at the Chamber of Commerce Saleroom at noon.

Messrs. Henry Harris and Co. (late Harris and Ackman) will offer 450 packages of Ceylon teas on account of Messrs. Gerber, Michaut and Co., on Tuesday next at their rooms.

Sugar.—Prices remained on the basis of the company's quotations.

Groceries, Dried Fruits, &c.—Sales included 250 boxes of DRO candles, 4¼d; 23 cases VH cocoa, 3s 0½d; and 20 cases Edam Dutch cheese, 9d. Currants continued quiet at 4½d; elemes and sultanas at 6½d; and dates at 2½d per lb.

Brewers' Goods.—Fifty tanks of Thompson's malt sold with extended deliveries at 6s 4½d. Hops were firm at late rates.

Liquors.—No change occurred in Hennessy's brandy, which moved off sparingly at 47s to 47s 3d for three-star and 34s 9d for one-star. Pinet Castillon one-star brandy met with a good demand. Key gin moved off at 10s 6d for 15-bottle with corresponding rates for other sizes. Lowndes's rum remained quiet at 2s 4½d to 2s 5d. Of whiskies Williams's and Robertson's were noted, 250 cases of the latter selling in a single line. E.F.O. also had a good demand. Sandeman's sherry was booked to arrive, ports meeting with a fair demand on spot. Heidsieck and Pommery champagnes were sought after.

Hardware.—Prices were unaltered throughout, and no sales of consequence were noted. Nos. 8 and 10 of fencing wire remained at £8 2s 6d, and £8 12s 6d respectively; and barbed wire sold in small lots at £13, with a considerable concession to arrive.

Oils.—Kerosene sold at 8¼d to 8½d, according to size of parcel. Three hundred cases of turps went at 2s 0½d.

To-morrow (Friday) Messrs. Henry Harris and Co. (late Harris and Ackman) will offer an assorted catalogue of ales, stout, and other liquors.

The Customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £5208. The principal items were:—

Spirits, £2698; wine, £50; ale, porter, and beer, £154; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £766; opium, £90; dried and candied fruits, £338; stearine, £14; harbour and light rates, £85; colonial distilled spirits, £25; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £1000; excise on beer, £79. Total, £5208.

EXPORT MARKET.

London Tallow Market.—At the weekly auction of Australasian tallow held on Wednesday a rather larger supply was offered, and a much greater proportion sold. Prices, however, were unchanged. Actual quotations have been as follows:—Mutton, fine, at 18s 9d; medium ditto, 17s 6d; beef, fine, 18s 3d; medium ditto, 16s 6d per cwt. Since the beginning of June the offerings and sales, together with the prices for medium qualities, range as follows:—

	Offered Casks.	Sold Casks.	Med. Mutton.	Med. Beef.
June 2	525	425	17s	16s 6d
June 16	2000	1350	17s 6d	16s 6d
June 30	2375	875	17s 6d	16s 6d
July 7	1475	900	17s 6d	16s 6d
July 14	2000	675	17s 6d	16s 6d
July 21	1475	825	17s 6d	16s 6d
July 28	1675	1550	17s 6d	16s 6d

From London Messrs. Cuthbert and Hall write on 19th June as follows:—"Whatever the ultimate effect of the drought now being experienced in Australia may have on the supply, there is no doubt as to its continuance and severity, and in consequence very little tallow is being offered for shipment on c.i.f. terms at prices at all equivalent to values here."

Colonial Produce in London.—The New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, report the receipt of a message, dated 28th instant, from their London office as follows:—

"Frozen Meats.—Market weak. Australian Mutton: Merino, 2¼d per lb.; crossbred, 2½d per lb. Beef: Fore-quarters and hind-quarters are worth 1¾d and 3¼d per lb. respectively.

"Tallow.—Market firmer. Medium tallow has advanced 3d per cwt. since last report."

Frozen Meat Market.—The Pastoral Finance Association, Limited, report:—Values for mutton in London have receded during the past week, and may be quoted at 2d to 2¼d per lb., present value. Beef: Fores, 2d to 2¼d; hinds, 3¼d to 3½d per lb. Shipments: s.s. Nineveh (replacing Gulf of Venice) loaded 6840 carcases mutton and 141 pairs legs for London on Wednesday from Kirribilli Wharf. Vessel to load, s.s. Severus. Chilled Meat, Sydney: Prime mutton is worth 2d per lb. Market hardly so firm as last week, in sympathy with slightly weakened values at Homebush Yards. This price, however, prohibits export business, local sales returning better than present London rates. Medium quality to good sheep worth from 1½d up; beef, 19s to £1 per 100lb.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour to-day, 202 bales of wool were manifested to arrive.

LONDON WOOL MARKET.

LONDON, June 25.

It could hardly be surprising after the festivities of the past week in connection with the "record reign" celebrations if the conversation everywhere referred to this event at the expense of business matters. Such has been the case generally, and in the absence of public auctions here the wool trade has been no exception. During the last few days there has been a continuance of inquiries for American account in special lines, but the outcome has not resulted in a great deal changing hands. The total, however, for all accounts since the last auctions terminated is covered by 3000 bales.

American agents continue to operate in Yorkshire in English wools of suitable grades, but on rather limited lines for both wool and tops.

Outside this rather special demand there is very little doing at industrial centres. There is no expansion in the demands of spinners, and future prospects offer no inducements to speculate in "tops," the prices for which keep very low and are very disappointing to makers and holders. Sixties quality stands at 16½d to 17½d per lb., 64's, 18d, 70's, 18½d to 19d. There is a good demand for so-called Cape tops, which run at low figures. There is no disposition on the part of spinners to anticipate prices, speculation being entirely absent.

Little or nothing can now be expected until the next auctions here on the 6th July open, when values may for a while be established.

There is still a fair quantity of tops of old makes being held, in hope of an advance before long, under the impression that the effect of the shortage for the latter half of the year will be felt before long. Consumption, however, is not large comparatively, and all round a good deal of machinery is idle or only running short time.

The woollen cloth trades are just fair and steady. Export trade leaves much to be desired, and the home trade, although not very brisk, is much the best feature of the industry.

There is nothing to indicate any improvement at the opening of next series, and few will be surprised if the opposite obtains for certain descriptions of the fibre.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, July 28.

SILVER.

To-day's price for bar silver is 2s 2¼d per ounce standard, being a fall of ⅛d since last quotation.

THE TALLOW MARKET.

At the weekly auction of Australasian tallow 1675 casks were offered, and 1550 sold. Prices were as follows:—Fine mutton, 18s 9d; medium ditto, 17s 6d; beef, fine, 18s 3d, medium ditto, 16s 6d per cwt.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

There is nothing fresh to report in regard to the wheat market, prices being unchanged. Chaff, £5 15s to £6. One thousand boxes Schiedam candles sold on private terms. A small parcel of rice quitted at £13 10s to £14. In oils 200 half-cases Cooloo sold to arrive at 2s 7½d.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Wheat is lifeless. Bran sold at 8d for export, and at 8½d to 9d locally from second hands. Chaff £3 15s to £4; extra green £4 5s to £4 7s 6d; Ballarat potatoes, 55s to 57s 6d; onions, £8 5s to £8 10s. Further business has been done in China white sugar, to arrive. At the tea auction 710 packages Ceylon were offered and all were sold, being well competed for. Orange pekoe, 8½d to 11½d; broken pekoe, 8½d to 9½d; pekoe, 5½d to 8d; pekoe souchong, 5½d to 6d. Cornsacks, 4s 3½d on the spot. Several hundred bales were sold for October-November delivery at up to 4s 2½d. Branbags are selling at 3s 4d to 3s 4½d. A large parcel of wire netting was sold.

On the Stock Exchange to-day, as regards the leading investment stocks, the market was very bare. An advanced price of £103 was reached for Victorian Government stock, and most others ruled at very firm quotations; but Silverton Tramway, following the silver market, were quitted lower, but with improved demand at the close. Sales:—Victorian Government 3 per cent. stock, £103; Metropolitan Board of Works 3½ per cent., £104 7s 6d; English and Scottish combined inscribed stock, 13s 6d; Commercial Bank preference shares, 69s; National ditto, £19 5s; Royal, 8s; Metropolitan Gas, £7 5s; Victoria Insurance, 44s; Melbourne Tramway, Omnibus, 11s 6d; Silverton Tramway, £5 6s, £5 4s; Tarrawingee Flux, 10s 6d; B.H. Water Supply, 18s 8d, 18s 9d.

PRODUCE INWARD.

BALLINA, Thursday.

The Oakland (s.) sailed for Sydney at 8.30 a.m. with a cargo of 9807ft. boxwood, 7000ft. sawn timber, 120 bags bones, 140 hides, 8 casks tallow, 63 cases eggs, 20 cases honey, 120 bags maize, 9 coops poultry, and 25 kegs butter.

HOBART, Thursday.

Last night the Wonah left for Sydney with 7568 cases 5 casks 105 bags fruit, 410 bags vegetables, 401 tons ore, 99 cases jam, 4150 staves, 4 bales skins, 592 bags bark (51 tons).

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Peregrine sailed yesterday for Sydney with 1166 bags chaff, 432 bags onions, 19 crates vegetables, 893 bags potatoes, 10 bales hay, 20 sacks oatmeal, 16 cases fruit, 94 packages tea.

DAIRY NEWS.

KIAMA, Thursday.

Mr. O'Callaghan, Government dairy expert, is now in this district for the purpose of inspecting some leading dairy herds and butter factories. A splendid lot consisting of 33 heifers and bulls from the herds of Messrs. Hugh Dudgeon, Edward Smith, and John Young, dairy farmers at Jamberoo, have been despatched to Clarence River.

THE PRODUCE MARKETS.—THURSDAY.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

Nothing of importance transpired to relieve the quietness that has pervaded the markets during the past few days. Now that the end of the month is so near there will be very little business doing until the opening of the new one, which starts on Monday next. Plentiful supplies of all kinds of produce were on the market. So far as prices were concerned little or no change occurred. Maize was dull of sale, and the same may be said of other feed-grain lines. Pollard had more attention at slightly higher prices. The delivery of lucerne coastwise for the past few days has been rather small, consequently agents have had an opportunity of working down the large stocks that have accumulated on the wharfs. The sale for lucerne has improved considerably during the last couple of days, but values remained without alteration. Local chaff sold well at auction at yesterday's rates. Imported brands were more or less neglected. New Zealand derrick-pressed straw was quitted at £2 7s 6d, and Tasmanian at 2s 6d less per ton. Potatoes were in good request at firm prices. Onions were rather slow. Turnips sold at a reduction. Business in dairy produce was rather quiet at about late rates.

FEED-GRAIN MARKET.

The following are the quotations:—

Maize.—Plentiful and dull, 2s 3d to 2s 4d per bushel.

Oats.—Dull. New Zealand prime feed, 2s 5d to 2s 6d; medium, 2s 4d; seed oats, Tartarian, 2s 6d to 2s 7d; local, prime, 2s 3d to 2s 4d per bushel.

Barley.—Imported Cape barley, prime 3s 4d per bushel.

Peas.—Prime blue, 5s; grey, 3s 9d to 3s 6d per bushel.

Chickwheat.—Prime, 3s 3½d to 3s 6d; screenings, prime, 2s 9d per bushel.

ROBERT LITTLE AND CO.—Hay, Chaff, and Produce Auctions at Redfern daily. Highest prices, immediate returns.—[ADVT.]

Foley Brothers, Sussex-st.—Creamery Butter, Waratah, Baroona, Candelo, Central, Kameruka; Cheese.—[ADVT.]

THE SOUTH COAST and WEST CAMDEN CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, Limited, Sussex and Liverpool streets, Sydney. Manufacturers Choicest Creamery Butter, Live Stock and Produce Auctioneers. Sales daily at Redfern; City Live Stock Yards, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday. Warehouse, 343-345 Sussex-street.—[ADVT.]

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Bran and pollard were quiet at quotations. Bran was quoted at 8½d to 8¾d, New Zealand 8d; and pollard at 7½d to 7¾ per bushel.

BREADSTUFFS.

City brands, £12; country, £11 10s to £11 15s; Californian, £10 to £10 10s; Manitoba, £12 5s to £12 10s on spot. Local wheat is nominal in the absence of active business.

FORAGE MARKET.

Straw.—Derrick-pressed, £2 5s to £2 7s 6d; local bundled, £2 to £2 10s per ton.

Chaff.—Good supply. Imported, prime, to £5; extra green, £5 5s; medium, £4 to £4 10s. Local: Prime, £4 15s to £5; special green lots, £5 5s; medium, £4 to £4 10s per ton.

Hay.—Local oaten in bundles, prime, £4 2s 6d to £4 5s; medium, £3 15s to £4 per ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Prime green, £3 to £3 5s; prime brown, £2 15s to £2 17s 6d; medium, £2 10s; prime new green, £2 5s to £2 10s. Railway: Prime, £3 5s per ton.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian Circulars, prime, £3 10s to £3 15s; New Zealand, £2 15s to £3 per ton.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Butter.—Plentiful. Better demand. Finest creamery, 1s 2d; factory, 1s 1d to 1s 1½d; New Zealand factory, 10½d to 1s. Berrima Company quote finest creamery 1s 2d, factory 1s 1½d. The South Coast Company quote choicest creamery 1s 2d; Berry creamery, 1s 2d per lb. Foley Brothers quote creamery 1s 2d, factory 1s 1½d per lb.

Bacon and Hams.—Good stocks. Slow demand. Mild-cured, 6d; hand-cured, prime, 5d to 5½d; second-class, 4½d to 5d; middles, 5½d to 6d; Bodalla, 5½d; local hams, 6d to 6½d; in cloth, 7½d to 8d; New Zealand and Queensland, choice, 9d; English, 10d per lb.

Eggs.—Moderate sale. North, 10d; South, 11d per dozen.

Cheese.—Prime loaf 4½d to 5d; medium, 4d to 4½d; large, 4½d to 5d; medium, 4d to 4½d; New Zealand, 4½d to 5d per lb.

Poultry.—Fair supply. Fowls, 2s to 2s 6d; prime, 3s; ducks, 2s 6d; choice, 2s 9d to 3s 6d; Muscovy ducks, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; geese, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; turkeys, cocks 7s to 11s, hens 4s to 5s per pair.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Honey.—Good sale. Garden honey, choice 3d, second-class quality 2½d per lb.

Beeswax.—Choice, 1s per lb.

Onions.—Melbourne, prime, £8 10s to £9; New Zealand, prime, £10 per ton.

Lard.—Finely rendered, in bladders, 4d to 4½d; bulk, 3½d per lb.

Turnips.—Prime Tasmanian, £2 10s per ton.

THE WOOD MARKET.

Good supply. Good demand. Firewood, good, 10s 6d to 11s 6d; inferior, 7s to 8s 6d; bundles, good, 9s to 10s 6d; inferior, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; billet, good, 7s 6d to 8s 6d; inferior, 5s 6d to 6s; bakers' split, good, 7s to 8s; inferior, 6s to 6s 6d; large, 5s 6d to 6s 6d per ton.

REDFERN SALE.

At the Redfern Railway Terminus Produce markets this morning a moderate supply of produce was submitted at auction. Chaff commanded a fair amount of attention at about yesterday's rates. Extra green realised 5s 5d, prime 4s 9d to 5s 1d, and medium quality 3s 11d to 4s 6d per cwt. Seed oats went at 2s 5d, and fair feed at 2s 2½d per bushel.

Appended are the proportions of the various descriptions actually submitted at to-day's sale:—Chaff, 21 trucks; lucerne, 1; hay, 1; and oats, 3.

The number of trucks manifested this morning was 25, being apportioned as follows:—Chaff, 19; hay, 4; potatoes, 2; wheat, 75 bags; and 160 bags oats.

Among the consignees were:—Heaton Brothers, Ellis and Co., Hill, Clark, and Co., M. M. Suttor and Co., John W. Gray and Co., H. Prescott and Co., Robert Little and Co., Dent and Perry, John Campbell, and John Bridge and Co.

The above supplies were disposed of as follows:—

Chaff.—From Stapleton, Glencoe, (truck No., 7304) 5s 9d; Starrus, Goulburn, (4786) 5s 8d; Stuart, Bathurst, (7456) 4s 5d; Bourke, Perth, (1966) 5s 10d; Dowling, George's Plains, (1898) 4s 9d; Kingham, Millthorpe, (5214) 4s; Christian, sen., Raglan, (8405) 4s 6d; Cobb and Co., Kelso, (6191) 5s 6d; Cusack, (2231) 4s 1d; Pitt, (9478) 4s 2d; Riches, (6917) 4s 6d; West, Brewongle, (8123) 5s 1d; Locke, (6095) passed; Conolly, Goulburn, (6907) 5s 3d; Williams, Blayney, (5228) 4s 9d; Byrne, Cootamundra, (2930), passed; M'Nickle, Harefield, (8649) 4s 3d, (5695) 4s 3d; Benson, Rylstone, (7175) 5s 9d and 4s 10d; Ah Lum, Cooma, (5981) 2s 10d; Best Brothers, Uranquinty, (8589) 3s 10d, (3530) 3s 11d per cwt.

Oats.—From Young, Burrumbuttock, (5200) 2s 5d; Eade, Raglan, (3034) passed; Rowlands, Mandurama, (5739) 2s 2½d per bushel.

Lucerne.—From Maher, West Maitland, (3124) passed.

Hay.—From Richardson, Perth, (6868) passed.

FRUIT MARKETS.

Owing to this being an off-day very little business was done in the fruit trade at the Bathurst-street Markets this morning. Supplies of all kinds of seasonable fruits were plentiful for all requirements. Mandarins declined in value to the extent of 6d per case. No appreciable alteration occurred in the prices of other classes of fruit. Apples were in fair request. Bananas remained dull of sale at low prices.

Current quotations are:—

Apples.—Good supply. Fair demand. Scarlet Pearmains, choice, 6s 6d to 7s 6d; second-class, 5s to 6s; small, 4s; New York pippins, second-class 5s 6d to 6s, choice 6s 6d to 7s; French Crabs, choice 5s 6d, medium 4s 6d to 5s; Sturmers, 4s to 5s; Stone Pippins, 4s to 4s 6d; small apples, 3s 6d to 4s per case. Local apples, 4s to 7s; choice, 8s to 9s; cooking apples, 4s to 7s per gincase.

Oranges.—Main crop, rough 3s to 4s, good 4s 6d to 5s, choice 5s 6d to 6s; navel oranges, choice 6s to 9s per case; Seville, 5s 6d to 7s per case.

Lemons.—Local, 5s; choice, 5s 6d to 6s per gin case.

Mandarins.—Thorntes, good 4s 6d to 5s 6d, choice, 6s 6d to 7s 6d per gincase; choice, 5s per half-case; Emperors, 4s 6d to 5s 6d, choice, 6s to 6s 6d per gincase; choice, 3s 6d per half gincase.

Bananas.—Queensland, 9d to 2s; New Hebrides, 3d to 1s; Fiji, 1s to 2s 6d bunch. Cases: Queensland, 4s to 5s; Island bananas, 4s to 6s.

Passionfruit.—Choice, 8s to 9s; medium, 5s to 7s; small, 3s to 4s per gincase; choice, 5s to 5s 6d per half-case.

Pines.—Choice, 5s to 6s; Queens, choice 7s to 7s 6d per case.

VEGETABLE MARKET.

A good supply of vegetables was under offer at the Belmore Markets this morning. The demand continued brisk. Prices for the principal lines ruled a trifle firmer.

Quotations were as under.—Melbourne cauliflowers, good 2s 6d, choice 3s; local cauliflowers, 1s to 2s 6d, choice 3s to 3s 6d; cabbage, 1s to 1s 9d, choice 2s to 2s 9d per dozen; peas, 5s to 6s bushel; asparagus, 9s to 11s; horseradish, 6s to 8s; beetroot, 1s to 1s 3d; mint, 1s to 1s 6d; spinach, 1s; eschalots, 1s; leeks, 1s; white turnips, 10d to 1s; parsnips, 1s to 1s 3d; rhubarb, 2s to 2s 6d; watercress, 1s 6d to 2s; celery, choice table, 1s 9d to 2s; radishes, 6d; carrots, 9d to 1s 3d; herbs, 1s per dozen bunches; lettuce, 6d to 8d; sweet potatoes 2s, kidney potatoes 3s per quarter; tomatoes, Chinese, green, 2s 6d per quarter-case; Swede turnips, 1s to 1s 3d per quarter.

FAT STOCK SALES.

THE HOMEBUSH YARDS.

Sheep.—13,735 were yarded, generally of medium and lower quality, with a sprinkling of good to prime. The market opened very firm to the usual attendance, and the trade, having bought sparingly last Monday, were all buying, and prices at once began to harden, and continued to do so to the finish, the closing sales being very animated, with a decided improvement on last quotations.

Few lambs were forward, and were in good demand at advanced prices. Prime crossbred wethers sold to 11s 4d; good, 9s to 10s; medium, 7s to 8s; prime crossbred ewes, 10s 2d; good, 8s to 9s; prime merino wethers, 13s 1d, extra 14s 1d, a few 17s 6d; good, 9s to 9s; medium, 6s to 7s; prime merino ewes, 8s 3d; good, 6s to 7s; medium, 4s to 5s; prime lambs, 9s 6d to 10s 10d; good, 7s to 8s.

Cattle.—710 were yarded, comprising about 400 from the North, 200 from South, and 100 from Queensland, and included a fair proportion of all qualities. The market opened to a good attendance with brisk competition, prices showing a marked improvement on Monday's quotations, though not quite up to the good values of last week. The later sales, however, did not have the full attendance, and were a bit irregular. The show bullocks from A. M. White, Bolivia, brought up to £10 12s 6d, being the highest price realised for some years. Messrs. Collard and Mawle were the purchasers. Prime yards of bullocks realised to £8 10s, extra £9 7s; good, £6 to £7; medium, £4 10s to £5; inferior, £3; prime yards of cows realised to £5 2s; good, £3 10s to £4 10s; medium, £2 10s.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited.—50 bullocks for W. L. Beauchamp to £7 17s, averaging £7 11s; 7 bullocks for Northern agents to £7 3s; 33 bullocks for Walker trustees to £6 16s, averaging £6 5s; 29 bullocks for Northern agents to £6 7s averaging £4 2s, 34 cows to £5, averaging £4 0s 8d; 20 merino wethers (tops) for R. Campbell at 17s 9d, 383 at 14s 1d to 14s 4d, 14 at 13s 2d, 30 (culls) at 11s 3d, 4 (crippled) at 10s; 17 merino wethers for J. Fielan at 13s 8d, 14 wethers at 10s 5d; 85 crossbred wethers for Walcott and Wright at 11s 4d, 34 at 10s 6d, 1 (pet) at 15s, 441 merino wethers at 10s 6d, 407 at 8s 5d to 8s 8d, 104 crossbred ewes at 10s to 10s 2d, 30 at 9s 3d, 41 ewes at 8s 4d, 2 wethers (injured) at 6s to 7s 6d; 210 wethers for J. Stamm at 9s 2d to 9s 6d, 41 at 8s 3d, 190 ewes at 7s 7d to 7s 8d, 28 (seconds) at 6s 10d; 415 merino wethers for B. Butler at 11s 3d, 1325 at 8s 6d to 9s 1d, 1 (cripple) at 7s; 252 wethers for W. Jardine at 9s to 9s 3d, 18 at 8s 5d; 14 merino ewes for J. Robinson at 8s 4d, 80 at 7s 7d; 4 crossbred ewes for G. Kaufline at 9s, 99 wethers at 6s 9d to 6s 10d; 278 wethers for T. B. Sweet at 8s; 77 wethers for W. H. D. Avery at 8s, 14 ewes at 7s 6d; 293 wethers for T. Giles at 7s 4d; 30 wethers for C. J. Connell at 4s 9d, 117 at 4s 2d; 9 lambs for W. Jardine at 12s 6d, 1 hoggett at 7s 6d; 53 lambs for J. Fielan at 11s to 11s 6d, 17 at 9s 6d; 9 crossbred lambs for J. Robinson at 10s 9d, 20 at 10s 5d, 2 at 8s 2d; 3 lambs for W. H. D. Avery at 10s, 15 at 8s 1d, 1 hoggett at 7s.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited.—118 wethers for James Thomson at 13s 1d, 398 at 11s 4d to 11s 7d, 85 at 10s, 3 (lame) at 6s 6d; 93 wethers for A. Alcock at 11s 1d, 269 at 9s 7d; 787 wethers for Southern agents at 8s 9d, 76 at 8s 6d, 39 at 8s 4d, 95 ewes at 7s, 1 crossbred ewe at 7s; 757 wethers for Western agents at 9s, 150 at 8s to 8s 3d, 14 (stud fleeces) at 7s; 2 crossbred rams for G. Mackay at 8s, 8 at 5s 11d, 2 ewes at 5s 11d; 54 wethers for G. Fletcher at 7s 7d to 7s 8d, 61 at 5s 10d, 11 ewes at 5s 6d; 12 lambs for James Thomson at 10s 1d; 98 lambs for George Mackay at 10s 1d, 71 at 8s 9d, 27 at 8s 6d; 27 lambs for G. Fletcher at 8s, 15 (lambs) at 4s to 1d; 17 cows for James Ryan to £5 2s, averaging £4 1s 3d; 11 bullocks for Southern agents averaging £3 3s, 1 cow at £2 19s; 10 bullocks for Northern agents.

Messrs. Weaver and Perry.—497 wethers for J. L. Brown, 8s 9d to 8s 10d; 2 show bullocks for A. M. White, to £10 12s 6d, averaging £10 2s 6d; 25 bullocks to £8 15s, averaging £7 10s 4d, 1 cow at £4 15s; 1 show bullock for Edward White, at £9 10s.

Messrs. Maiden Bros.—1 merino wethers for T. Booth at 13s 3d, 403 at 9s 10d to 10s 3d, 91 (seconds) at 7s 9d, 38 crossbreds at 9s, 1 (2 years wool) at 8s 9d, 44 merino ewes at 8s 5d; 418 merino wethers for J. Leahy at 9s 10d; 54 merino wethers for Eddy Bros. and Pope at 9s 7d, 289 ewes at 9s 2d to 8s 3d, 50 (culls) at 5s 11d; 631 wethers for C. Britton at 7s 9d, 91 (seconds) at 6s 8d to 6s 10d; 108 wethers for C. H. Matthews at 7s 11d, 112 (seconds) at 6s 3d to 6s 9d; 97 wethers for J. Lees at 5s 11d to 6s, 7 crossbred ewes at 6s 10d; 23 lambs for Eddy Bros. and Pope at 9s 7d to 9s 8d, 1 (injured) at 5s 9d; 70 cows for Northern agents at £1 17s, averaging £3 18s 9d.

Messrs. Warden Harry Graves and Son.—26 crossbred ewes for M. Byrnes at 8s 2d, 3 at 7s 2d, 13 merino ewes at 6s 6d, 38 crossbred lambs at 8s, 1 crossbred hogget at 8s, 10 crossbred lambs at 6s, 4 (stained) at 4s, 1 crossbred wether at 8s 1d.

Messrs. Hill, Clark, and Co.—5 crossbred wethers for H. Taylor at 20s, 1 comeback wether at 15s, 27 crossbred wethers at 16s 6d, 4 (injured) at 12s, 50 merino wethers (tops) at 13s 6d, 162 merino wethers at 11s 6d to 11s 11d, 37 (seconds) at 8s 9d; 323 merino wethers for R. Ridge at 11s 2d to 11s 4d, 133 (seconds) at 8s 10d; 91 merino wethers for J. M. Mahaffy at 10s 10d to 11s 1d; 92 merino wethers for L. C. Lance at 8s 11d, 98 (seconds) at 7s 1d to 7s 7d, 64 (culls) at 6s 9d, 93 merino ewes (tops) at 7s 7d to 7s 11d, 772 at 6s 9d; 76 merino wethers for W. Harkness at 8s 10d, 34 (seconds) at 7s 6d; 140 merino wethers for Southern agents at 8s 5d, 60 (seconds) at 7s 6d; 20 merino lambs for W. Harkness at 10s 6d, 10 at 9s 2d, 84 at 8s, 1 merino hogget at 7s 2d; 50 bullocks for Doyle Brothers to £6 12s, averaging £6 11s 3d; 41 bullocks for A. Turnbull to £4 14s, averaging £4 7s 2d; 1 bullock for White Brothers at £5 14s, 21 cows to £5 7s, averaging £4 8s 3d; 10 steers for W. Harkness at £4 14s, 1 cow at £4 12s; 33 bullocks for J. K. Mackay at £8 15s, averaging £3 10s 5d.

Messrs. Joseph Leeds and Co.—23 bullocks for D. G. Rankin.

Messrs. Wilkinson and Lavender.—25 bullocks for F. W. Armytage to £7 5s, averaging £5 14s 6d, 6 cows to £4 10s; 8 bullocks for Messrs. D. and W. Sellar to £9 14s, averaging £9 7s, 1 at £5 10s, 2 cows at £4 10s, 6 heifers at £8 5s 6d, 10 steers at £3 19s 5d, 4 calves at £2 1s.

Messrs. J. C. Young and Co.—1 bullock for G. R. Gailey at £7, 30 bullocks and steers to £4 12s, averaging £3 19s 1d, 20 cows and heifers to £4 5s, averaging £3 17s 7d; 31 bullocks for C. M'Mahon to £6 6s, averaging £5 13s 2d; 87 crossbred ewes for Southern agents at 8s 10d, 89 (seconds) at 7s 3d, 26 crossbred wethers (tops) at 8s 3d, at 7s 9d, 8 lambs at 11s 1d, 26 at 7s 7d, 36 at 5s 7d to 6s 1d, 29 hoggets at 7s to 7s 2d; 1 crossbred ewe for R. Henderson at 7s 5d, 25 lambs at 9s, 33 at 2s 6d to 6s 6d.

STOCK AND STATION PRODUCE.

The Sydney Wool-selling Brokers' Association (the Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited, John Bridge and Co., Limited, Campbell, Ninmo, and Wyly, Dalgety and Co., Limited, Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited, Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited, Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited, Pastoral Finance Association, Limited, Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., and J. C. Young and Co.) report:—

Opossumskins.—Total offering for the week, 156,996 skins. Sales were resumed yesterday morning, when, with keen competition, prices secured were fully equal to those previously quoted. Super greys 12s to 15s per dozen, first ditto 9s to 11s 6d, second ditto 5s 6d to 8s 9d, damaged 1s 3d to 5s 9d, small 2s 6d to 6s 10d; super red 10s to 13s, first ditto 7s 6d to 9s 9d, second ditto 4s 6d to 7s 5d; super black 20s to 26s, first ditto 14s to 19s 6d, second ditto 9s to 13s 9d, third ditto 5s to 8s 6d.

MAITLAND HIDE AND SKIN SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

Light consignments were forward at the usual weekly sales of hides and skins held at Campbell's Hill to-day. Owing to the wet weather the butchers were unable to forward their consignments to the market. There was a good attendance of buyers, competition was extremely brisk, and prices realised showed an advance on rates ruling last week. Best heavy hides made 20s to 22s 6d; good, 13s to 16s; medium, from 9s to 11s 6d; light and inferior, from 6s to 8s; yearlings, from 2s 6d to 5s; calfskins, from 9d to 2s. Sheepskins: Fairly large supply was forward, the bulk of the consignments being in bad condition, in consequence of the recent rains. The demand was very brisk, and good prices were realised. A few extra prime skins made to 7s; prime, from 5s to 6s; good, from 4s to 4s 6d; medium, from 2s 9d to 3s 9d; light and inferior, from 1s 6d to 2s 3d; dry station skins, 9d to 1s 3d. Shanks sold from £3 10s to £4 10s, according to quality. Cowtails, 7d to 9½d per lb. Tallow, £12 6s per ton.

HUNTER RIVER FARMERS' PRODUCE SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Wednesday.

The weekly sales of the Hunter River farmers' produce were held to-day. There was a fair attendance, and biddings were extremely brisk. Butter, 11d to 12½d per lb.; eggs, 11d per dozen; cheese, 4d per lb.; bacon, 4½d to 5d per lb.; hams, 5d to 7d per lb.; lard, 5d per lb.; carcase pork, 2½d to 3d per lb.; live pigs, from 6s to 9s 9d each; honey, 2d to 2½d per lb., and 2s to 2s 6d per small tin; millet brooms, 7s per dozen; lucerne seed, 5d per lb.; potatoes, 4s to 5s per cwt.; onions, 10s to 12s; turnips, 4s 6d to 4s 9d per bag, and 1s 6d to 1s 9d per dozen bunches; cauliflowers, 4s to 6s per dozen; cabbages, 6d to 2s 6d per dozen; peas, 1s per peck; beans, 9d to 1s per peck; tomatoes, 3s 6d per case; persimmons, 1s; chillies, 9d per bag; cucumbers, 1s per dozen; marrows, 2s 9d per dozen; piemelons, 1s per dozen; oranges, 1d to 4d per dozen; mandarins, 2d to 4d per dozen; lemons, 1d to 3d per dozen; apples, 4s to 5s per case; passion fruit, 2d per dozen; pears, 8d per dozen. Poultry: Fowls, 2s 6d to 3s 6d per pair; ducks, 2s 6d to 3s per pair; geese, 3s to 4s per pair; turkeys, 4s to 9s per pair; pigeons, 1s. Hay: Lucerne, prime dry green, 50s to 55s; soft green, 35s to 45s; oaten, prime, 60s; coarse, 40s to 50s; wheaten, 50s; chaff, 2s 6d to 3s per bag; maize, 2s 7d to 2s 10d; oats, 2s 1d per bushel.

ADELAIDE FAT STOCK MARKET.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Elder, Smith, and Co., Limited, report:—Fat cattle: 580 were yarded yesterday. The supply was inadequate, and prices were higher. There was a large attendance, and sales were brisk. A splendid selection was offered, 550 being from Queensland, the balance from Victoria. Prime beef sold at 30s, good 25s. We sold 130 cattle. Sheep: 10,000 offered, consisting chiefly of medium sorts. Demand brisk. All good quality sold at late values, but lower for other classes. Graziers and shippers took 70%, and 600 were unsold. Prime crossbreds 21s to 24s, best merinos 15s, ewes 12s 6d. We sold 3700.

MAITLAND FAT STOCK SALES.

WEST MAITLAND, Thursday.

The usual fat stock sales were held at Campbell's Hill to-day. There was a fair attendance of buyers. In the cattle section a very large supply was forward, but there was not nearly the activity in the sales that was experienced the last few weeks, and values were 10s to 15s lower. A portion of the consignments was the primest yarded for years. Best bullocks made £5 10 to £6 7s 6d; good, £4 to £4 15s; light and medium, £3 to £3 15s; cows, prime £3 12s to £4 10s; good, £3 to £3 5s; others from 35s to 45s. Fat calves in small supply, demand active, values firm. Best made 35s; good, 20 to 25s; others, 12s to 18s. Fat sheep: Small supply forward, demand limited, values lower, very few prime sheep forward. Best merino wethers made 9s 5d; good, 7s to 8s 6d; ewes, 6s to 8s; crossbred ewes, 7s to 13s; lambs, 6s to 8s 6d. Fat and store pigs in very small supply, competition extremely brisk, prices being the best obtained for years. No baconers forward. Prime porkers made 25s to 33s; good, 18s to 21s; small, 12s to 16s; stores and slips, 5s to 10s 6d.

THE HAWKESBURY COLLEGE.

A BOOM IN THE DAIRY INDUSTRY.

LADIES APPLYING FOR INSTRUCTION.

For a considerable time past there have been indications that a boom in the dairying industry is setting in in New South Wales. This is due in no small degree to the energetic action of the Minister for Agriculture (Mr. Sydney Smith) and the officers of his department.

The Minister for Agriculture visited the Hawkesbury College last Tuesday to look into the question of making some important alterations in the working of this institution. With this object in view he attended the lectures delivered by the Principal and the scientific staff, and while fully recognising the value of the lectures, he has decided to have some changes made in connection with the courses of lectures with the view of making them more thoroughly practical. These changes will be made as soon as the proposed alterations in the buildings are effected. In order to further carry out this idea of making the instruction of a thoroughly practical character it is intended to provide additional accommodation in the mechanical branches. Four additional forges will be completed in the blacksmith's shop within the next month, and the carpenter's shop will also be extended. Instruction in wool-sorting will also be added to the curriculum.

Additional dairy students are being admitted, and the number will be still further increased as soon as a larger supply of milk has been obtained. The Minister hopes that as soon as the arrangements for increasing the supply of milk have been completed he will be able to afford instruction to, and thoroughly train and turn out from 80 to 100 dairy students every year. So rapidly are applications coming in from candidates for admission to the college that there are in hand about four times as many applications for admission to the college as there were vacancies to be filled at the end of last term. Arrangements have, therefore, been made to increase the accommodation for students, and it is expected that this will be completed at the end of next week, when fully 100 students will be located at the institution.

Another interesting development in connection with the work of dairy instruction is the fact that a number of daughters of farmers and dairymen have sent in applications to the Minister to be allowed to go through the course of instruction in dairy work, and Mr. Sydney Smith says he hopes before long to be able to make suitable provision for complying with their wishes in this respect. The Minister points out for the encouragement of the more timid members of the fair sex who desire but have some hesitation about applying for instruction in this branch of work, that it is not by any means a new industry for ladies to take up. In fact in Great Britain and other countries a number of ladies have distinguished themselves in connection with dairy work, amongst them being several well-known writers and lecturers, including Miss Cannon and Mrs. Tweedie. The Minister, in fact, thinks that interest in dairying will before long be so great that many daughters of farmers and other ladies will be inclined to take up this work, and he thinks this may possibly warrant the Government in establishing a Woman's Agricultural College, where such subjects as butter and cheese making, poultry-raising, beekeeping, and possibly sericiculture, may be taught.

At the Hawkesbury College, in addition to the practical work in the branches already referred to, provision is being made by the new principal (Mr. Valder) to cultivate between 200 and 300 acres in addition to that under crop last year. This additional area will probably be devoted to raising fodder for the increased herds which it is intended to keep at the farm.

In order to give an opportunity to the students at the college to show their ability in the field as well as in the schoolroom the Minister has approved of 50 acres of land being set apart for the students to use for experimental purposes.

In view of the great future before the dairying industry, not only in the Southern and Western districts, but also on the North Coast, and in view of the fact that the industry is still in an embryo state in the lastnamed district, the Minister has decided to establish a dairy in connection with the farm on the Richmond River.

The principal of the Hawkesbury College (Mr. Valder) has informed the Minister that he is confident the Hawkesbury College will, in addition to imparting valuable instruction to a large number of students, be self-supporting within three years from the present date.

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

LAND AND HOUSES.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH.—At their Rooms, at 11.30, City and Suburban Properties.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

A. TRAVERSI and CO.—On the premises, 82 Pitt-street, at 11, Stock-in-trade, Wallpapers, Oils, Paints, Varnish, Brushware, &c.

J. R. LAWSON.—At the Rooms, at 11, Furniture, Electroplate, Glass, China, Bookcases, Pianofortes, Organs, &c.

BARNARD and CO.—At 37 Hopewell-street, Paddington, at 3, Furniture, E.P. Ware, Glassware, Carpets, &c.

DALWOOD and CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Tweeds, &c.

J. BOYD and CO.—At their Rooms, at 11, Fancy Goods, Books, Stationery, Cutlery, &c.

H. HARRIS and CO.—At their Mart, at 11, Ale, Beer, Stout, Vinegar, &c.

J. P. LISTER.—On the premises, 4 Wellington-street, Chippendale, at 2.30, Furniture, Overmantels, Glassware, Pianoforte, &c.; at his Rooms, at 11, Clothing, Boots, &c.; at 12.30, Musical Instruments, &c.

H. W. BROOK and CO.—At 146 Elizabeth-street, at 11, Furniture, Toiletware, Glassware, Sewing Machine, Gas Stove, &c.

STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At Embarn, Great North-road, Five Dock, at 11, Furniture, Carpets, Pianoforte, China, Paintings, Gas Stove, &c.

F. J. CAHILL and CO.—At Willoughby-street, Milson's Point, at 10.30, Furniture, &c.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At Hay and George streets, at 2.30, Furniture, Clothing, &c.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.—At the various Stores, at 9.30, Hides, &c.; at the Wool Exchange, at 10.30, Tallow.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY.—At their Circular Quay Stores, Hides, Tallow.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

G. KISS.—At the Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, Vehicles, &c.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Bazaar, at 11 and 12, Horses, Vehicles, &c.; at Camperdown Yards, at 2.30, Horses.

STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At Embarn, Great North-road, Five Dock, at 11, Buggy, Harness, &c.

J. P. LISTER.—At 4 Wellington-street, Chippendale, at 2.30, Carts, Horse, Harness, &c.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At their Railway Yards, at 12, Calves, Pigs, &c.; at 2.30, Poultry, &c.; at 3, Dairy Produce.

ELLIS and CO.—At their Yards, at 1.30, Calves, Pigs, &c.; at 2, Butter, Eggs, &c.; at 3, Poultry, Pigeons, &c.

R. F. MURPHY and CO.—At their Rooms and Yards, Haymarket, at 1.15, Pigs, &c.; at 2.30, Poultry, &c.; at 3.45, Eggs, Lard, &c.

S. PROCTER.—At his Mart, at 1, Pigs, Poultry, &c.

A. J. KISS.—At his Bazaar, at 2.30, Fancy Poultry, &c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

S. PROCTER.—At Darling Harbour, at 9, Wood, &c.

A. J. KISS.—At his Bazaar, at 2.30, Dogs.

J. G. FLEMING and SONS.—At their Mart, at 1, Roses, Carnations, Ferns, Pines, Fruit Trees, &c.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

Only slightly more business was transacted on the Sydney Stock Exchange yesterday. The larger proportion of the exchanges, however, took place at the last meeting, and the closing quotations of several stocks manifested improvement. Coal shares were not dealt in, but prices were unchanged, except that Wickham and Bullock Island, new, had a somewhat better buyer. Girilambone, copper, were also firmer. In silver stocks B.H. Proprietary, owing to the fall in the price of silver, and North Central both sold at weaker rates, and closed below Wednesday's quotations. There were no material changes in others. Birthday and Mount David were the only local gold-mining stocks having business, but were without any noteworthy changes. Queensland companies had more attention, the features being the strong rate obtained for Mount Morgan shares and the lower price realised for Columbia and Smithfield, the latter, however, being quoted a good deal higher at the end of the day. Victorian lines were without business. Very little was done in Western Australian ventures. In the closing quotations General Gordon and Golden Horseshoe were both stronger, whilst Queensland Menzies were weaker.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.		Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.			Columbia Smithfield	15/	—
Hetton	—	55/	Mount Morgan	74 6	—
Newcastle	£9	—	North Smithfield	28 6	30/
Stockton, ex. div.	—	4 9	No. 1 North Smithfield	20 9	21/
Vale of Clwydd	—	9 6	No. 1 North Victory	2 2	2 6
Wallsend	—	25/	Oriental and Glanmire	18/	20 6
Waratah	12/6	—	Smithfield and Golden Pile	8/	9 3
Wickham and Bullock Island	10 9	11 6	Victoria G.M. Association	5 4	6 7
Ditto, new	4 9	—	Brown Hill Central	—	1 6
Ditto, pref., £1 paid	22/	24/	Brown Hill Junction	4 10	—
COPPER.			Brown Hill, No. 1 South	—	6d
Girilambone	25/	25 3	Croesus Extended	—	1/
Lake George Mines	33/	—	General Gordon	6 6	7 6
SILVER.			Ditto, con.	3 4	3 6
Broken Hill Proprietary	48 9	49 3	Golden Horseshoe	72 6	—
Block 10	72/	77/	Hannan's Block 45	8 9	9 6
Block 14	24/	26 6	Hannan's Central Extended	—	1 8
North Broken	11 1½	11 9	Hannan's Pride of the Valley	6d	8d
North Central	—	1/	Ivanhoe	12 5	12 7
Overflow, paid	—	5/	Ditto, South Extended	3/	—
Central Lyell	—	2/	Ivanhoe Junction	—	1 6
Mount Black Proprietary	2 6	4/	Lady Sherry East, con.	9d	—
Oceana Proprietary	—	2 9	Norseman	2/	3 6
GOLD.			Ditto, con.	9d	—
Baker's Creek Consols	6/	—	Princess Margaret	—	13/
Birthday, con	—	2 4	Queensland Menzies, pd.	15 4½	15 6
Cobar Mining	2 9	—	Queen Margaret	25/	—
Falkner's	5	5/6			
Mt. Drysdale	—	3 7			
Mount David, con.	—	4/			
New Bushman's	—	10 3			
Occidental	3 3	3/6			
Sunlight	6/	—			
Central Plateau	26/	—			
Star of the East	43/	49/			
Clark's Brilliant Worcester, &c.	—	8 6			

The following sales were reported:—Morning—Gold: Columbia and Smithfield, 15s 9d; No. 1 North Columbia and Smithfield, paid up, 5s 5d. Noon—Silver: B.H. Proprietary, 49s 3d. Gold: Birthday, contributing, 2s 4d; Hannan's Pride of the Valley, 5d; Princess Margaret, 12s. Afternoon—Silver: B.H. Proprietary, 49s; North Central, 1s. Gold: Mount David, paid up, 3s 6d; Columbia and Smithfield, 15s 9d; Mount Morgan, 75s; No. 1 North Smithfield, 21s; General Gordon, contributing, 3s 4d; Hannan's Block 45, 9s 7½d; Hannan's Pride of the Valley, 6½d; Slug Hill Proprietary, 9d.

After the last meeting of the Exchange the following sales were reported:—Gold: Falkner's, 5s 5d; Great Northern Extended Consols, contributing, 24s 6d; General Gordon, contributing, 3s 6d.

The ballot for the election of directors of the Falkner's Gold-mining Company, Limited, took place yesterday, and resulted in the return of Messrs. J. W. Johnson and T. H. Kelly.

We are informed by the Brisbane representative of the Kalgoorlie Limekiln Gold-mining Company, No Liability (W.A.), that the board has been advised by its attorney at Kalgoorlie that negotiations for purchase of the lease are still pending, a Perth syndicate through its representative having visited the property and taken samples of ore for purposes of assay.

Yesterday the legal manager of the New Bushman's Hill G. M. Company, Parkes, reported the result of the first treatment by the cyanide process of the tailings on the company's property. 684 tons were put through for a return of 144oz. 10dwt. of gold, being at the rate of 4dwt. 5gr. to the ton. The result is highly satisfactory, giving an estimated extraction of 85 per cent., irrespective of any absorption on account of the vats being new, or of gold still left in the solution. It is anticipated that the results from the next parcel will be even better. It is estimated that there are 5000 tons of tailings now at grass as the result of previous crushings, and this quantity will be worked up as rapidly as possible, the plant being capable of treating from 240 to 250 tons per week. The cost of treatment has not yet been definitely ascertained, but it is something under 1dwt. of gold per ton, the above return therefore yielding a good margin of profit.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Another dull market prevailed on 'Change to-day, with only a few transactions. Sales: Broken Hill Proprietary, 49s, 49s 3d, 48s 3d, 49s 3d; Block 14, 25s 3d, 25s; B. H. South, paid, 9s 6d; ditto, contributing, 8s; Bonanza, 1s 1d; Silver Hill Junction, 1s 6d; Lady Pearce, 2s 5d, 2s 6d, 2s 4d; Baker's Creek, 10s 6d, 10s 7½d; ditto Consols, 5s 7½d; Associated Gold Mines, 54s 3d, 54s 6d; Hannan's Block 45, 9s 2d, 9s 3d; Boulder Central, contributing, 11s 6d, 11s 4½d, 11s 6d; Boulder Central Extended, 5½d, 6d; Boulder North-west, 9d; Brown Hill Central, 1s 2d; Coolgardie, 13s 3d, ditto Mint, 9s 6d, 9s 9d; Croesus Proprietary, 1s 6d; General Gordon, contributing, 3s 5d, 3s 1d, 3s 2d; Golden Horseshoe, 72s, 74s 6d; Golden Zone, contributing, 9d; Hainault, 27s 6d; Hannan's Central Extended, 1s 4d, 1s 6d; Hannan's Oroya, 27s 3d, 27s; Imperial Boulder, 3s; Island Lake Austin, 3s 6d; Ivanhoe, £12 7s; Ivanhoe South Extended, 3s 5d; Kalgoorlie Proprietary, 2s 8d; Kalgurli, 68s 6d, 69s 6d; Lake View Consols, £8 9s 6d; Lake View Extended, 15s 9d, 15s 7d; Lake View South, paid, 35s; North Boulder, 28s 6d; Norseman, contributing, 1s; Premier, 22s 3d, 22s, 25s; Princess Royal, paid, 5s 10d, ditto, contributing, 5s 4d, 5s 3d, 5s 4d; Queen Margaret, 25s 6d, 25s 3d; Queen Margaret Central, 3s 7½d, 3s 10d; Railway, paid, 6d; Royal Mint, contributing, 4½d; South Kalgurli, 50s 6d, 54s, 53s; Three Colonies Extended, paid, 3s; ditto, contributing, 1s 11d, 2s 1d; Tindal's, 3s 4d; Victory United, 3s 7d; Hannan's Crushing, 6s 4d; Tarrawingee Flux, 11s.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

The Junction mill ran consistently last week, treating 1060 tons crude ore, returning 258 tons concentrates and 35 tons of slimes. The concentrates assayed 26oz. silver, 60 per cent. lead, and 9 per cent. lead. The despatches for the week totalled 414 tons, including 251 tons milling ore forwarded to Illawarra. The masonry work of the new mill is making good headway, one section being completed. The winding plant for equipping the King's shaft has arrived from Euriowie, and no time will be lost in placing it in position. The present face of the south drive at the 675ft. level is in hard sulphides, with patches of country intrusion on the footwall side. Near the commencement of this drive the western side is being blasted, preparatory to opening out the stopes. The 550ft. level, south drive, has made a connection with the mine's main drive, and an uprise has been started to connect with the 450ft. level. A winze is to be sunk also from this drive to meet an uprise from the 650ft. level. When this dead work shall have been completed proper ventilation will be secured, and the crushed ground can be then approached from the southern end. M'Intyre's stopes, at present worked on the various levels, are looking well, returning fair quantities of milling sulphides. Owing to the 200ft. level stopes being directly under the old carbonate workings, great care has to be exercised in protecting them. Browne's 400ft. and 300ft. stopes are also looking healthy.

Satisfactory arrangements have been completed with the managements of the Junction North and the North Broken mines, whereby the latter has obtained permission to continue the northern drive at the former mine's 570ft. level. When operations were stopped at this point some time ago owing to the boundary line of the two properties having been reached, a bold, strong breast of excellent milling ore was left standing over 20ft. wide, but as the footwall was in the British Company's ground the actual width of the body has not yet been determined. A section of the ground is to be paddocked off to allow ore as broken to be temporarily stacked. The material will be then dumped through the pass sunk near the boundary to the 640ft. level below, whence it will be sent at intervals to the surface, and then carted by drays to the North Broken mill for dressing.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

To-day's Brisbane Exchange sales were:—Jones' Caledonia, 9d; No. 1 North Great Eastern, 1s 4d; No. 1 North Smithfield, 21s; Smithfield and Phoenix Golden Pile, 8s 10d; Brilliant Central, 7s 10d.

Queensland Exchange sales:—Jones' Caledonia, 8½d; No. 1 South New Zealand Junction, 1s 1d, 1s 0½d.

BURRAGA, Thursday.

M'Vicar, Phillips, and party have started crushing with their new battery, the machinery working splendidly. They will clean up in a week's time. Speculators are visiting here after copper properties.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Thursday.

To-day's Charters Towers Stock Exchange sales and quotations were:—Band of Hope, buyer 21s, seller 25s; Bonnie Dundee, buyer 4s 3d; Brilliant Central, buyer 7s 6d, seller 7s 6½d, sales 1000 at 7s 6½d, 7s 6d; Brilliant, buyer 15s 6d, seller 17s; Brilliant Block, buyer 22s 6d, seller 25s 6d; Brilliant Freehold, buyer 3s 5d, seller 3s 7d, sales 3s 6d, 3s 5½d; Brilliant and St. George United, contributing, seller 34s; Brilliant Extended, contributing, buyer 7s 7d, seller 8s 2d; ditto, paid, buyer 8s 6d, seller 9s 4d; Clark's Brilliant Worcester and Victory, buyer 7s 9d, seller 8s 2d; C.T. Pyrites, buyer 10s 6d, seller 11s; Day Dawn P.C., buyer 3s, seller 3s 5d; Day Dawn Block and Wyndham, buyer 14s 9d, seller 15s 6d; East Mexican, buyer 4s 11d, seller 5s 3d; Kelly's Queen Block, buyer 11s 2d, seller 11s 4d; Millican's Caledonia, N.L., buyer 6d, seller 7d; Moonstone Consols, buyer 2s 3d, seller 2s 5d; New Queen, buyer 3s 4½d, seller 3s 5d, sales 3s 4½d, 3s 5d; Papuan Brilliant, and Victoria, N.L., buyer 14s 10d, seller 13s, sales 14s 9d, 14s 10½d; Phoebe, buyer 13s 4d, seller 13s 6d, sales 13s 5d; Queen Cross Reef, buyer 14s 2d, seller 14s 8d; Queen Central, contributing, buyer 3s 4½d, seller 3s 5d, sales, 600 at 3s 5d; ditto paid, buyer 4s 6d; Victoria and Queen, buyer 6s 9d, seller 7s 6d; Victoria and Caledonia Block, contributing, buyer 4s 9½d, seller 4s 10½d; ditto paid, buyer 6s, seller 9s; Victoria G. M. Association, buyer 6s 8d, seller 6s 8½d, sales, 700 at 6s 7d, 6s 8d; Victory, buyer 9s, seller 9s 3d; Victoria No. 1 West, buyer 11d, seller 1s 2d.

Messrs. Leonard, Dodds, and Company report the sale of 50 tons 14cwt. of Great Cobar Copper at £44 6s per ton for the copper, and the usual price for gold and silver contents. A cable received from London yesterday quotes Chili copper bars at £48 5s per ton at three months.

ESPERANCE, Thursday.

The export of gold during July from the Dundas fields amounted to 1855oz., valued at £7400.

GYMPIE, Thursday.

Mr. Thomas Smith reports:—Oriental and Glanmire has crushed 279 tons of stone for a yield of 522oz. of gold. Sales: Brennan's Caledonian, 1s 1d, 1s 2d; Oriental and Glanmire, 19s 3d; Great Eastern No. 2 North, 11s 2d; Jones's Caledonia, 7½d; New Zealand Prospectors, 11d; Phoenix No. 5 North, 6s 3d; Smithfield and Golden Pile, 8s 6d. To-night's quotations: Columbia and Smithfield, seller 15s 2d, buyer 15s; South Glanmire and Monkland, seller 9s 2d, buyer 8s 9d; Golden Pile, seller 8s, buyer 7s 6d; Smithfield No. 1 North, seller 20s 2d, buyer 19s 3d; Smithfield No. 4 South, seller 2s 3d, buyer 2s 1d.

HOBART, Thursday.

To-day's Hobart Exchange sales and quotations were:—Colebrook, sales 15s; Comet, buyer 3s 10d, seller 4s 6d; South-west Curtin and Davis, sales 1s 5d, 1s 4d; Hercules, buyer 31s, seller 32s; South Hercules, buyer 2s 9d, seller 3s 1d; Mount Lyell, buyer £10 16s, seller £11; Oonah, sales, 6s 6d. Silver Queen, seller 7s 5d.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A cablegram advising that a further reduction of ⅛d per ounce had taken place in the price of silver in London yesterday, quotation being 2s 2¼d, the lowest hitherto recorded for white metal, was responsible for a very depressed market on the Stock Exchange this morning, particularly in Broken Hill companies. Towards the close there was a good improvement in demand and fair recovery in prices. Only a moderate business took place in Tasmanian companies. With the exception of those in the Rutherglen district, Victorian gold companies had a dull market. Sales: B. H. Block 10, 71s, 76s; B. H. Proprietary, 49s, 49s 6d; Junction North, 24s 3d; North Broken, 11s 6d, 11s 4½d, 11s 9d; Lake George Mines, 33s 6d, 36s; Mount Lyell, £10 16s, £10 17s 6d; South Mount Lyell, 10s; Mount Lyell Consols, paid, 4s 3d, 4s 6d; Mount Lyell Extended, 8s 6d; North Mount Lyell, 25s; ditto, paid, 26s 9d, 26s 6d; South Hercules, 2s 10d; General Gordon, contributing, 3s 6d; Queen Margaret, 23s, 26s 4½d; Queen Margaret No. 1 South, 1s 9d, 1s 6d; Tindal's, 3s 6d; Band and Albion Consols, 13s 3d; Black Horse United, 21s 6d; Central Plateau, 28s, 27s 6d; Egerton, 4s 4d, 4s 5d; Glenfyne, 7s, 6s 11d; New Kohinoor, 4s 6d; South Star, 30s; Spring Hill and Central Leads, 25s 9d; Star of the East, 44s; West Berry Consols, paid, 10s; Chalk's No. 3, 26s; Great Northern Consols, 25s; Great Southern, 52s, 52s 6d; Great Southern Chiltern, 21s; M'Evoy, 4s 9d; North Prentice, 34s; Prentice, 4s 6d; Southern and Prentice, paid, 8s; Great Extended Hustlers, 7s; New Argus, 7s 3d, 7s 1d; B. B. Quartz, 7s 6d; Long Tunnel Extended, £27 7s 6d, £27 15s; Long Tunnel North, 30s; Sir John Franklin, 7s 3d, 7s 6d; South Loch Fyne, 6s; Mount Deddick, £3, £6 7s 6d; Berry West, 92s; Britannia United, 16s 6d; Bonanza, 10d; Burnt Creek, 2s 10d; Cleary's Freehold, 2s 4d; North Duke, 1s 2½d, 1s 1½d; New Loch Fyne, small lot, £7 2s.

PAMBULA, Thursday.

The Pambula Gold Mines Company is drawing timber for new poppet-heads to be erected at the new shaft on the water reserve. The Huntington mill at Lochiel, known as Coman's, is being taken down and removed to Wolumla, where several lots of ore are at grass awaiting crushing.

TAMWORTH, Thursday.

A cake of retorted gold weighing 532oz. 7dwt. was lodged in the Bank of New South Wales to-day from Moore's Golden Gate mine, situated between Hanging Rock and Nundle. The gold is the result of a crushing of 70 tons of stone, the work of six men for three weeks and three days. Mr. Moore reports that there is any amount of similar stone in sight. They are sinking to catch the reef 60ft. deeper on the boundary of the adjoining claim, at which depth the lode is 2ft. 6in. wide.

WEST WYALONG, Thursday.

The Lighthouse people are still sinking in search of the New South Wales reef. The shaft is 425ft. deep in granite country, but there has been considerable changes lately, quartzite leaders carrying arsenical pyrites being met with. The New South Wales main shaft is down 200ft. in fair sinking. Lawler's men are crosscutting west at a depth of 160ft. in search of the reef. In the north shaft they have extended the drive 60ft. from the shaft. Duncan's men are sinking a shaft east of the old shaft, and are down 80ft. Harry's Find is raising good quality ore from the 140ft. level. 100 tons are grassed. The Princess G. M. Syndicate is driving levels at a depth of 275ft., the lode showing 3ft. wide in the face. The levels are being driven north and south on ironstone and gossan ore. Five tons are bagged.

Great interest is being manifested in the new find at M'Mahon's old claim, situated a mile to the south of Klink's claim, and the adjoining ground has been pegged out. There is a large area of auriferous country, with reefs running east and west. Sparrow and Conway, prospectors, are sinking a new shaft west of where the reef was discovered and are down 20ft. A large body of stone is showing and 5 tons are paddocked. A mineralised reef has also been discovered 300ft. east at a depth of 20ft. The stone is from 12in. to 24in. wide. This line and the Christmas Gift are the only east and west reefs on the field. The Australian Star has resumed sinking its eastern shaft from the 100ft. level. The Grand United mine is driving levels south at 200ft. on a nice body of opalised quartz containing pyrites. Conway's Shamrock and Thistle is still raising a great quantity of rich opalised ore from the 240ft. level. The proprietors have decided to purchase more powerful machinery to replace that now in use. Cox's Huntington mill treated 16 tons of seconds from the Princess mine for a yield of 8oz. gold.

DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends have been declared, and are payable on the dates specified:—

Newcastle Wallsend Coal Company, 15s.
New Golden Gate, Tasmania, 2s.
Smile of Fortune (first and final), 4d.
United Hustlers and Redan, Bendigo, July 29, 6d.
North Smithfield G. M. Company, Gympie, July 29, 6d.
Great Northern Extended, Rutherglen, July 30, 2s.
Great Southern Garden Gully, Bendigo, July 31, 2s.
Western Silver, Tasmania, July 31, 3d.
Great German Reef, Maldon, 2s.
B. H. Proprietary Company, August 18, 1s.
B. H. Proprietary Block 14 Company, August 25, 1s.

YIELDS.

GOLD.

Central Plateau, Ballarat, 701 tons, 349oz.
Fraser's South Mine, Southern Cross, W.A., 334 tons, 234oz.
Golden Gate, near Nundle, 70 tons, 532oz. 7dwt.
Lady Bountiful, Coolgardie, 130 tons, 118oz. 12gr.
New Bushman's G.M. Company, Parkes (cyanide returns from tailings), 684 tons, 144oz. 10dwt.
Oriental and Glanmire, Gympie, 279 tons, 522oz.

MANAGERS' REPORTS.

North Central Broken Hill Silver-mining Company, No Liability, week ended July 24.—West crosscut at 700ft. level now measures 33ft. from the shaft. Met with another hard bar of diorite coming from the west. Have another 5ft. to go before starting to drive south.

Sunlight Gold-mining Company, No Liability, West Hillgrove, July 24.—Crushed 527 tons for a yield of 158oz. smelted gold, and approximately 10oz. in 4 tons concentrates. The yield has been decreased in the crushing by having to crush the whole of the lode material obtained in sinking No. 2 winze, it being cheaper to pass it through the battery than to pick it. Excellent prospects are being obtained in the eastern shoot of gold, which crosses the new winze diagonally 20ft. above No. 5 level, and has been traced up to No. 3 level, over 300ft. in height.

Ballarat of New South Wales Gold-mining Company, Forest Reefs, July 24.—Work commenced with one shift upon the main shaft 9ft. x 3½ft. in the clear upon the spot approved by the members of the board. The shaft has been sunk 7½ft. for the week, and logged up substantially 7ft.

Mount David Gold-mining Company, No Liability, July 24.—A start has been made erecting winding plant. Other work is being proceeded with.

Lady Mande Gold-mining Company, No Liability, week ended July 24.—New tunnel extended 7ft. in good formation. Also driving on the vein struck in tunnel soon after starting work. This is rather pinched at present, but is making directly to point where former owners got 2oz. crushing.

Broken Hill Junction North Silver-mining Company, Limited, week ended July 24.—Main shaft: The cages are now running to bottom (750ft). Drive started north-east, and now in 9ft., carrying drive 6ft. wide. The ground at present appears to be very favourable, and I hope to strike the lode in five or six weeks from date. 640ft. level north: About 5ft. driven on the sill floor; good compact sulphide exposed on all sides. The width of the lode will be determined when the stopes are carried forward. Stopes: The faces in back of this level north of No. 3 winze are carried as high as the 7th and 8th floors, where good faces of friable ore are being worked. Stopes south have been carried to the Junction boundary and are being worked through to the 570ft. level. The quantity of ore exposed at this point is somewhat limited. 570ft. level: The new stope in back of this level southward from the north boundary continues to look well, and has been worked three sets high and three sets wide. 520ft. level: Stopes from winze in bottom of level continue to look well, showing good friable ore throughout. About 18ft. to 20ft. of friable ore is being mined, leaving a good body of milling ore on the footwall. The new winding plant is in full work and running splendidly. Ore has been delivered to G. Willis and Co., Port Pirie. First sulphides, 300 tons. All second grade ore coming from below is now being dumped into trucks. This, with about 2700 tons at surface, will be sent on to Block 11 with the greatest possible despatch.

Victoria Gold-mining Association, Charters Towers, No Liability, fortnight ending July 16.—Winze from No. 10 level, total depth 28ft. The reef pinched out, but is making again, its size now being 8in. of very good quality stone. Level from No. 2 level crosscut at extended north-west 8ft. on good quality reef, from 6in. to 10in. thick. To the southeast the reef has pinched very small but is of good quality. The stopes over No. 12 south-east level carry a good quality reef, from a foot to 18in. thick. Over No. 10 south-east level the reef is of medium quality, from 6in. to a foot thick. Over No. 6 south-east level the reef is 10in. thick, medium quality. The reef in the stopes at No. 7 south-east level is a foot thick, poor stone. Over No. 5 level the reef is fairly good, being 10in. thick. Above No. 4 north-west level the reef is from 6in. to 18in. thick, quality from poor to good. At No. 3 south-east level, there is a large block of ground to work, showing a good size reef, rather poor quality in the face, which will be operated on at once. At No. 3 north-west level the reef varies in thickness, from 6in. to 15in., quality fairly good. Over No. 1 B level the reef is about 10in. thick, fair quality stone.

British Queen, Ballarat, July 24.—No. 5 level: Trial crushing from south end poor. Stopes carrying fair makes of stone. Crushed 110 tons for 35oz. 2dwt. of gold.

Golden Ridge, Kalgoorlie, fortnight ending July 3.—Gurr's tunnel shaft: Eastern crosscut total, 115ft. Lode formation intersected, 8ft. wide, composed of quartzite, ironstone, and laminated quartz, the latter being full of pyrites. Lode presents very encouraging aspect.

Broken Hill Proprietary Company, Limited, July 21.—Work in the various points in the mine being carried on as usual, and requisite supplies of ore mined and raised.

Hanlon Consols, Rokewood, July 24.—Contractor started work.

Last Chance United, Ballarat, July 24.—Shaft in hard country; total, 976ft. No. 5 stopes carrying plenty of stone showing little gold. Drive going south-west of pug in large body of stone. Intermediate lode about 7ft. thick, showing little gold. No change elsewhere.

BANQUET TO MR. ALBAN GEE.

A large and representative gathering took place in the Parramatta Town Hall last night on the occasion of a banquet tendered by the residents of Parramatta, Granville, Auburn, Rookwood, and other centres to Mr. Alban Gee, manager of the Sydney Meat-preserving Company. Dr. Furnival, of Auburn, occupied the chair, and there were also present the Mayors of Parramatta (Alderman T. Moxham), Granville (Alderman J. R. Palmer), Rookwood (Alderman F. Lidbury), and Messrs. Hugh Taylor, F. Beames, John Thorpe, N. J. Vale, H. Hudson, John Ritchie, J. W. Withers, C. J. Byrnes, A. H. M'Credie, J. W. Gibbons, C. B. Cairnes, Dr. W. S. Brown, S. G. Goodin, W. P. Murray, E. N. Murray, J. H. Maiden, Turnbull, Colley, Nossiter, F. Vale, R. F. Ritchie, J. Howell, Lovell, Mills, Hitchcock, W. W. Bodenham, and Drs. Violette, Bowman, and Fiashman. There were about 200 representative men sitting at the tables.

After the toast of "The Queen" had been honoured and the toast of "Parliament" had been responded to by Mr. H. M'Credie, late member for Central Cumberland, the toast "Our Guest" was proposed by Mr. C. J. Byrnes, who highly eulogised the general characteristics of Mr. Alban Gee both as a citizen and as a moving spirit in the commercial world. He said that Mr. Gee had been a success in municipal, social, and commercial life. He spoke of the wonderful growth of the Sydney Meat Works at Rookwood under his able guidance, and he trusted that Mr. Gee's visit to America would be productive of good business results. Mr. Gee was the medium between the squatter and the buyer. He presented Mr. Gee, on behalf of the subscribers, with an address in album form signed by the whole of the subscribers, testifying to the valuable character of Mr. Gee both in municipal, social, and business life, and wishing him God-speed.

Mr. Alban Gee, in responding, thanked the gathering for the warmth with which the toast had been received. He said he never thought that on his departure he would be the recipient of such kindly feeling as had been extended towards him that evening. The friends he had made 24 years ago in the Parramatta district were still the same good friends as when he first knew them. He noticed that the first man to whom he was introduced on his arrival in Australia 31 years ago was present that evening. He (Mr. Gee) was sent out from England as a stripling to start the first of the establishments similar to that with which he was now connected. Referring to the growth of the Sydney Meat-preserving Company he said that during the past two years the company had expended £1,137,987 9s 6d, and during that time the wages paid amounted to £124,317. He trusted his visit to America would be productive of good to the colony. The toasts of "Municipal Institutions" and "Local Industries" were proposed by Alderman Hugh Taylor and Mr. John Thorpe respectively.

On Wednesday evening Mr. A. O. Gee was entertained by the Sydney Meat-preserving Company's Fire Brigade, prior to his departure for America with his father, Mr. Alban Gee. He was presented with a handsome pair of field-glasses, suitably inscribed.

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Funerals.

THE FRIENDS and RELATIVES of the late Mr. and Mrs. BUNYON are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his residence, 8 Elizabeth-street, Balmain, at 1 o'clock TO-DAY, July 30th, 1897.

LAWLER.—The FRIENDS of Mr. and Mrs. JAMES LAWLER are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SON, James, aged 6 years; to move from their residence, 26, Kent-street, Miller's Point, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, to R.C. Cemetery, Necropolis.
CHAS. KINSELA, Funeral Director,
765 George-st., opp. Christ Church, 116 Oxford-st., D'hurst.

ROTHERY.—The FRIENDS of ELLEN ROTHERY and the late THOMAS HENRY ROTHERY are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to move from his late residence, No. 9 Albion-street, Surry Hills, TO-DAY (Friday), at half-past 1 o'clock, for C. of E. Cemetery, Rookwood. HARTLEY, Undertaker, 301 King-st., Ntn.

LOYAL VICTORIA LODGE, No. 11, M.U.I.O.O.F.—The OFFICERS and BROTHERS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of our late Bro., T. H. ROTHERY; to move from his residence, 9 Albion-street, Surry Hills, THIS DAY, at 1.30, for Rookwood.
C. COLEMAN, N.G., G. HAKEN, Sec.

THE Members of the Amalgamated Hotel and Caterers' Employees' Mutual Benefit Association are requested to attend the Funeral of their late Member, THOMAS ROTHERY; to move from his residence, 7 Albion-street, Surry Hills, at 1.30 p.m., TO-DAY, for Rookwood Cemetery.

ROSE OF PETERSHAM LODGE, No. 2015, G.U.O.O.F.—MEMBERS are requested to attend the Funeral of our late Brother, GEORGE T. KEARSLEY, which will move from his late residence, 31 Day-street, Leichhardt, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at half-past 1 o'clock, for Petersham station. WM. BRINGHURST, Secretary.

MOULDER.—The FRIENDS of the late ELIZA ANN MOULDER are kindly invited to attend her Funeral; to move from her residence, Pleasant-street, Erskineville, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2, for Rookwood Cemetery. ANDREWS BROS., Undertakers,
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SIMPSON.—The FRIENDS of Mrs. ALICE SIMPSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved SON, Albert J., aged 12 years; to move from her residence, 231 Bourke-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, to St. John's Church, Darlinghurst, thence to Waverley Cemetery.
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SIMPSON.—The FRIENDS of WILLIAM, ALICE, FANNY, and AMY SIMPSON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved BROTHER, Albert J.; to move from his residence, 231 Bourke-street, Woolloomooloo, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2 o'clock, to St. John's Church, Darlinghurst, thence Waverley Cemetery.
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RODWELL.—The Funeral of the late Mr. JOHN RODWELL will leave the Redfern Mortuary THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON by 2.25 p.m. train for Rookwood Church of England Cemetery.
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THE FUNERAL of the late FREDERICK FIELD BEDWELL will leave Circular Quay at 8 o'clock on SATURDAY MORNING, for the Redfern railway station, thence for Richmond, for interment in family vault. WALTER STEWART, Undertaker.

HONNES.—The Friends of the late Mr. CHARLES HONNES, Bandsman, N.A.V. Band, are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; which will move from his late residence, 31 Derwent-street, Glebe, TO-MORROW (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 1.15 p.m., for Necropolis.
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HONNES.—The Friends of Mr. WILLIAM WILSON of 29 Derwent-street, Glebe, are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved SON-IN-LAW, Charles Honnes; which will move from his late residence, 31 Derwent-st., Glebe, TO-MORROW (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 1.15 p.m., for Necropolis. WOOD and CO.

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T. F. JENKINS' Cycling School.—All pupils receive finishing lessons in Centn. P.; town riding if required.

JENKINS' Cycling Sch.—9 till 9 Mon., Wed., Fri.; 9 till 6, Tues., Thurs., Sat. Opp. Queen-st. Gates, Cent. P.

WE Buy, Sell, or Exchange all kinds of BICYCLES. Sydney Bicycle Exchange, 8 Imperial Arcade.

FOR SALE, English BICYCLE, 6 weeks in light use, Dun. tyres, W'wood rims, £13. Basement 204 Geo.-st.

TWO BICYCLES, lady's and gent.'s, use 3 months, original cost £28 10s each, reason. offer. 612 George-st.

HUMBER-SYNYAR, Dunlops, never punctured, perf. cond., £12, lowest. Trevince, Wigram-rd., Glebe P.

Apartments, Board and Residence.

A. A.—157 William-st., city.—Furnished double and single ROOMS vacant; very reasonable.

A. A.—At Bothwell, 208 Victoria-st., D'hurst, double and single ROOMS, newly furnished, moderate.

A COMFORTABLE furnished Room and kitchen, suit 3 lady friends. 252 Forbes-st., Darlinghurst.

A BED Sitting ROOM, furnished, and kitchen, suit married couple, 8s. 252 Forbes-st., Darlinghurst.

A FURNISHED downstair ROOM, suit married couple, use kitchen. 432 Bourke-st.

A FURNISHED Bedroom for gent., clean, quiet home, bath, latch. 165 Dowling-st., near William-st.

A LARGE cheerful fur. Bal. ROOM, gas stove, every convenience, 7s. Irene, 3 Fitzroy-st., Newtown.

A LARGE well-furnished Single ROOM, bath, key, 6s. 229, top William-st.

A NEATLY Furnished BEDROOM, to LET, suit 2 friends. 101 Womerah-avenue, Darlinghurst.

A NEAT 2-bedded ROOM, suit 2 respectable young men or girls, every con., kitchen, 4s each wk. 85 Bathurst-st.

APARTMENTS, sup. Br. R., priv. fams., boarding-houses, city, and all subs. Mrs. Cox, 126 Strand.

A SINGLE Room, also Room, suit 2 friends, bath, latch-key, board optional. 254 Elizabeth-st., opp. Belm. P.

AT 121 Castlereagh-st., near Market-st.—Comfortable LODGINGS for respectable men, 4s to 5s weekly.

AT RICHMOND HOUSE, 9 Bent-st. (late Australian Club).—Double and Single Balcony Rooms. Tel., 2425.

COMF. fur. front bal. ROOM, suit married couple or 2 ladies going to bus. 86 Palmer-st., near William-st.

COMFORTABLE furnished ROOM, suit married couple or two friends, 7s week. 72 Mary-st., Surry Hills.

DARLINGHURST.—To LET, comfortably-fur. front PARLOUR and Bedroom. 173 Victoria-st. North.

DARLINGHURST, 19 Roslyn-st.—Large well-furnished front Room, wardrobe, sup. board; also smaller room.

DARLINGHURST.—Vacant, 2 good Rooms, bal., fac. sun, splendid position, board opt. 387 Liverpool-st.

DOUBLE ROOM, 7s; Single, suit respectable working man, 3s. Mrs. Lyons, 2 Belvoir-st., Strawberry Hills.

FURNISHED APARTMENTS for married couples or single gentlemen. 145a Dowling-st., East Sydney.

FURNISHED ROOM, suit two friends going to business, every convenience. 69 Stanley-st., Hyde Park.

FURNISHED ROOM, suit lady or gentleman, rent 4s, board optional. 502 Bourke-st., Surry Hills.

FURNISHED ROOM, use of kitchen, bath, latchkey, &c., suit married couple. 91 Redfern-st., Redfern.

LARGE balcony Room, ladies, gents., in bus.; single Room, bath, latch, mod. 16 Brisbane-st., 3 doors Foy's.

MACQUARIE-ST. N., 177, op. Gardens.—Vacant, front balcony and ground floor Room, good table, terms 21s.

NICELY furnished front ROOM to LET, ground-floor; also single Room. 47 Oxford-st., nr. Dowling-st.

ROOMS, Burwood, Strathfield, furnished and unfurn., board option. Apart. Agency and Regis., Strathfield.

ROOMS, furnished or not, 5s 6s. Boot shop, 794 George-st. South.

SUPERIOR BEDROOM, suit gentleman, gas, bath, key. 14 Great Buckingham-st., Redfern.

WAVERLEY.—Very comfortable HOME for young gent. in small family, 15s. Address Burns, Herald.

WELL appointed Residential CHAMBERS, very large balcony room, vacant. 134 Phillip-st.

BOARD and Residence wanted for gent., near city preferred. State terms, Arnold, Herald Office.

BOARD and RESIDENCE required for adult family of four, two bedrooms and sitting-room. Lowest terms.
Mater, Herald Office.

GRANVILLE.—BOARD wanted, handy to station. Particulars to Board, Herald Office, King-st.

LADY requires Board, Residence, near city, clean linen essential. State terms, Nagambie, Herald Office.

MARRIED Couple, going to business, and daughter, 12, want 2 or 3 Unfurnished ROOMS, with board, easy walking distance city. Address
Urgent, Park-street P.O.

TWO BEDROOMS, board, 5 minutes from ferry, terms moderate. By letter, Comfort, P.O., Milson's Point.

UNIV. gent., B.A., wishing B. and R., offers pavt. and tuition, home les., exams., ret. J. A. J., Herald.

WANTED, large front Furnished ROOM, use of kitchen, lady, 2 children, mod. P.O., King-st., city.

WANTED, by gentleman, large comf. Bedroom, with breakfast, city, pri. family. Terms W. W., Herald.

WORKING MAN wants large unfurnished ROOM, gd. floor, no ch'ren, brds. M. D., 193 Goulburn-st., S. H.

YOUNG Lady wants unfurnished ROOM, good locality, Darlinghurst, mod., comfort. Herald, King-st.

Less 10 per cent. | FURNITURE! FURNITURE! | Less 10 per cent.
STOCK-TAKING SALE NOW ON.
WALKER, SONS, and BARTHOLOMEW, Ltd. (next door to DAVID JONES and CO.).

For Sale.

TWENTY-FOUR H.M.S. Navy 7ft. 3in. Suction Hose, copper wire, complete, 10s; 200 Electric Cells, 1s; 200 Mess Tins and Dishes, 6d; 17cwt. Zinc Boiler Plates, 18s cwt; 20 Iron Hurdles, 4s; Butcher's Block, 20s; 100ft. 5in. Gal. Pipe, good, 1½d; 4 Fluted Iron Columns, 11ft., 15s; 5 Tons Fine ground Marble Dust, 20s; 10cwt. Chain, 8s; Stoves, Ovens, Portable Coppers.
NEWLAND, 140 George-street West.

GREAT Reductions.—Barber's, Dentist's Chairs, new, 2nd hand Furn., S. Machine, &c. Elliott's, 623 Geo.-st.

A QUANTITY Spirit Cases, 9s dozen; also small Packing Cases, 8s dozen. 281 Elizabeth-st., Waterloo.

TICKETS.—Melbourne, from 17s; Hobart, Adelaide, Devonport, Brisbane, 17s; Auckland (expiring, cheap lady's), Wellington, Cape, London, Dunedin. Also Buy. FIRKINS, 135 KING-STREET, near Q. Tart's.

TICKETS.—THE INTERCOLONIAL TOURIST AGENCY have for SALE very Cheap Tickets to all other colonies, England, Colombo, Cape, &c. Note the Address: 108 PITT-STREET, OPPOSITE G.P.O.

FOR SALE, a complete Collection of N.Z. Kauri Gum. Address Mrs. Howitt, 58 Margaret-st., Petersham.

FOUR HUNDRED gallon Iron TANKS, best London make, delivered railway or wharf, 45s.
AUSTRALIAN BREWERY and WINE and SPIRIT COMPANY, Limited.

HAIRDRESSERS.—A Poker Machine, in first-class order, for Sale, cheap. H. Shaffran, 47 Market-st.

FOR SALE, COW, good milker, young calf. Lilydale, Livingstone-rd., Marrickville.

TANKS.—Square Iron, 25s; Galvanised, 15s; Pumps, 5s; Stoves, 20s; bargains. Pedement Bros., Ashfield.

FIVE-ROOMED House of Furniture, good condition, no dealers. Apply Furniture, Paddington P.O.

OFFICE Tables, Counters, Bookcases, Glass Cases, Partitions, Office Washstands, cheap. 228 Pitt-st.

Auction Sales.

INGLIS and SON'S HORSE BAZAAR.
WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m. sharp, Vans, springcarts, horses, and harness, draught horses, tipdrays, and harness.
At 12 o'clock,
Horses and vehicles of every description, specially advertised. Tel., 1391.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY.
35 SUPERIOR FRESH COUNTRY HORSES. 35

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, as above,
On account SOUTHERN AGENTS, COOMA,
20 upstanding well-bred Horses with substance, suitable for van, 'bus, and light harness work, broken and unbroken.

On account Mr. T. BRIGGS, LIVERPOOL,
15 really useful light Horses with substance, also broken to saddle and harness, 4 to 6 years old.
The lot comprises one heavy draught.

SPLENDID PAIR PONIES, BUGGY, and HARNESS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Pair of handsome piebald ponies, thoroughly quiet and good, constantly driven by a lady; piano-box hooded buggy, leather trimmed, with shafts and pole; also, set of silver-mounted double harness. One of the best lots in Sydney.

3 FIRST-CLASS PONIES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Bay pony mare, broken to saddle and harness
Bay pony mare, 3 years, by Sailor, broken to lead
Chestnut pony colt, 3 years, broken to lead.

EXTRA HEAVY DRAUGHT GELDING.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. HOPKINS, Pennant Hills, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Bay draught gelding, thoroughly staunch; subject to any trial.

FRESH COUNTRY MARE.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Chestnut mare, 5 years, broken to saddle and harness; quiet to trams.

PAIR HIGH-CLASS CARRIAGE HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 12 o'clock,
Pair handsome brown carriage geldings, full brothers, 16.2 high, 6 and 7 years old, splendid match, accustomed to run together, thoroughly broken to harness, splendid hackneys, and one carries a lady.
Gentlemen requiring a pair of Carriage Horses should not fail to inspect the above, as they are an exceptionally fine pair.

OPPENHEIM HOODED BUGGY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. W. H. PUDDICOMBE to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Oppenheim hooded buggy, patent mail axles; a first-class trap.

HANDSOME PONY TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mrs. FARRELL to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Brown pony, quiet in saddle and harness; has been constantly driven by a lady
Lady's low phaeton, leather trimmed.

BENT-SHAFT SULKY, Handsome 13hd. PONY, Neat BRADLEY CART, PONY COB and HARNESS, D.S. CUT-UNDER BUGGY TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction
THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
The above.

INGLIS'S WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE THIS DAY, RAILWAY SALE YARDS, 827 GEORGE-STREET.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction at their Railway Yards, 827 George-street, THIS DAY, Friday,
At 12 o'clock sharp,
Calves, pigs, lambs, suckers, &c.
120 Carcases first-class DAIRY-FED PORK, per rail.
At half-past 2 o'clock sharp,
Turkeys, ducks, geese, fowls, pigeons, &c.
At 3 o'clock sharp,
Roll and keg butter from best Southern factories and dairies, eggs, bacon, cheese, lard, honey, &c., &c.

HORSES, VEHICLES, and HARNESS.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock,
All lots not specially advertised.
And at 12 o'clock,
All lots specially advertised.
Regular Sales at the Bazaar daily, and at Camperdown or elsewhere any afternoon.
LIVERY.—In this department charges moderate and best of forage.

6 SADDLE and HARNESS HORSES,
3 NEW SULKIES, 1 VILLAGE CART, and 2 BUGGIES.

GEORGE KISS has received instructions to sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock,
The above.

SIX 400-GALLON TANKS.

GEORGE KISS will sell by auction, at the Bazaar, THIS DAY, Friday, at 12 o'clock,
6 400-gallon tanks.
Without Reserve.

FANCY POULTRY and DOGS.

ALEX. J. KISS will sell by auction, THIS AFTERNOON, at his bazaar, 141 Castlereagh-street, at 2.30 o'clock,
Blk.-red and pile game, from Mr. E. J. Hill, of Hobart; also, for various owners, Wyandottes, W. Leghorn pullets and cockerels, Hamburgs, Brahmas, Orpingtons, hens (one imported), Dorkings, Andalusians, and game; St. Bernard dog, mastiff, fox-terriers, and greyhound. Ped. at sale.

THE FARMERS' AUCTION SALE YARDS,
Thomas-street, off Engine-street, Haymarket.

R. F. MURPHY and CO. will sell by auction, at their new Room and Yard, THIS DAY,
At 1.15 sharp,
Carcase pork, suckers, porkers, stores, &c.
At 2.30,
Mule, Muscovy, and English ducks, turkeys, geese, fowls, guinea fowls, wongas, wild ducks, quail, &c.
At 3.45,
Eggs, bacon, lard, honey, wax, maize, hides, &c.

SEAFORTH PROCTER will sell by auction THIS DAY,
at Darling Harbour Station, at 9 o'clock, Wood.
At Produce Mart, 741 George-street, at 1 o'clock,
Veal calves, fat pigs, sucking pigs, carcase pork
Turkeys, geese, ducks, fowls, pigeons, birds, hares
Roll and keg butter, cheese, hams, bacon, lard
120 cases superior duck and hen eggs, oranges, fruit, honey, wax, hair, hides, skins, and sundries.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALE.

ELLIS and CO. will sell by auction, at their Sydney Produce Saleyards, at the rear of 731 George-street South, entrance Valentine-lane, THIS DAY,
at half-past 1 sharp,
Fat vealers, porkers, baconers, suckers, carcase pork, and veal.
At 2 o'clock sharp,
The usual weekly supply of choice brands of creamery, factory, and dairy roll and keg butter; eggs, bacon, honey, lard, cheese, fruit, &c.
At 3 o'clock sharp,
A very large quantity of poultry, including ducks, fowls, turkeys, geese, pigeons, birds, hares, &c.

PITT, SON, and BADGERY, Limited, will sell, THIS DAY, by public auction at their Circular Quay Stores,
Hides and tallow.

PRODUCE SALES.
SYDNEY WOOL-SELLING BROKERS' ASSOCIATION.
SALES by AUCTION will be held TO-DAY, Friday, as under:—
HIDES.—At the various Stores, at 9.30 a.m.
TALLOW.—At the Wool Exchange Saleroom, Macquarie-place, at 10.30 a.m.

LAWSON and SMITH'S
AUCTION ROOMS, 128-132 PITT-STREET
(near King-street).

THIS DAY, FRIDAY,
30th JULY, AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION
WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

In the Bankrupt Estate of
PHIL. GOATCHER,
under instructions from
W. H. PALMER, Esq., Official Assignee.
A ROSEWOOD DRAWING-ROOM SUITE,
upholstered in rich figured silk brocade; the frames inlaid with marqueterie and highly finished.

Under instructions from
A GENTLEMAN LEAVING THE COLONY.

ELECTROPLATE of First-class Quality.
Fine China and Glassware.

HANDSOME WALNUT SIDEBOARD, with bevelled mirrored back, side galleries, damask and plate drawers, and cellarette; the panels boldly carved; size 6ft.
DINING-ROOM SUITE, upholstered in morocco leather
LOFTY and VERY HANDSOME WALNUT OVERMANTELS, with bevelled-edged plateglass mirrors and carved frames.

LIBRARY SUITE IN SADDLEBAGS.
TWO VERY SUPERIOR ENCLOSED CEDAR BOOKCASES, with plateglass doors.

First-class Brussels Carpets.
Oriental Carpet Squares.

ENGLISH ART BEDROOM SUITES
of
Very Superior Manufacture.

BLACK and BRASS HALF-TESTER BEDSTEADS (Double and Single), with woven wire mattresses and best quality bedding complete.

&c., &c.

Also,
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE,
UNDER BILL OF SALE,
A SMALL HOUSE OF FURNITURE
(in good preservation),
PATENT MANGLE, GAS STOVE,
&c., &c.

JAMES R. LAWSON
(LAWSON and SMITH) has been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, as above,
AT THE ROOMS, 128-132 PITT-STREET
(near King-street),
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 30th JULY,
at 11 o'clock a.m.

*** ON VIEW PRIOR TO SALE.

PIANOFORTES
at
LAWSON and SMITH'S
AUCTION ROOMS, 128-132 PITT-STREET,
(near King-street).

THIS DAY, FRIDAY,
JULY 30th, AT ELEVEN O'CLOCK A.M.

IMPORTANT SALE BY AUCTION
of
HIGH-CLASS PIANOFORTES.

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

EBONISED PIANOFORTE, Victor.
ROSEWOOD PIANOFORTE, Broadwood.
EBONISED PIANOFORTE, Collard and Collard.
WALNUT PIANOFORTE, Simon on the Lipp principle.
ROSEWOOD PIANOFORTE, Aucher Frères.
WALNUT PIANOFORTE, Römer.
ROSEWOOD PIANOFORTE, Erard.
WALNUT PIANOFORTE, Mignon.
WALNUT PIANOFORTE, Stelle.
EBONISED PIANOFORTE, Hoeling and Spangenberg.
ROSEWOOD PIANOFORTE, Stoddart.
WALNUT PIANOFORTE, Mendelsohn.
WALNUT PIANOFORTE, Kirkman.
WALNUT PIANOFORTE, Chappel.
And OTHERS.
Also
WALNUT UPRIGHT GRAND PIANOFORTE,
by
THE GREAT MAKERS, STEINWEG.
A remarkably high-class instrument.
Specially recommended.

TWO AMERICAN ORGANS
and
SMALL HARMONIUM.

JAMES R. LAWSON
(LAWSON and SMITH)
has been favoured with instructions to sell by auction, at the ROOMS, 128-132 PITT-STREET (near King-street),
HIGH-CLASS PIANOFORTES.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 11 a.m.

TO TAILORS, DRAPERS, DEALERS, and OTHERS.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, JULY 30,
AT OUR ROOMS, at 11 a.m.

A SMALL STOCK OF ASSORTED TWEEDS, &c.

DALWOOD and CO. will sell the above.
WITHOUT RESERVE.

THIS DAY, at 2.30.
MIDDLETON and CO. will sell by auction, at Bay and George streets, Copper, iron boiler, soap frames, soap-cutter, and bench; several bedsteads, bedding, 3 sofas, chest of drawers, pictures, books, furniture, clothing, revolvers, &c. No Reserve.

THIS DAY, at 1 o'clock.
J. GIDLEY FLEMING and SONS sell by auction, at their Mart, 242 Pitt-street, 150 New Varieties of EVER-BLOOMING ROSES, 50 Varieties of Choice Carnations, New Fuchsias, 100 Assorted Ferns, Camellias, N. Pines, Hanging Baskets of Ferns; Assorted Fruit Trees.

EASTWOOD.—16 Orchard and Residence Blocks. Terms easy. Lithos. Torrens. On Ground TO-MORROW, SAT., 3.15 p.m. R. and W., Ltd.

THIS DAY,
FRIDAY, JULY 30, at 11 a.m.

FOR POSITIVE UNRESERVED SALE.

On account of
A LEADING WHOLESALE HOUSE RELINQUISHING BUSINESS.

178 Casks MONK ALE, quarts
35 Ditto DITTO DITTO, pints
25 Cases LAGER BEER, pints and quarts
100 Hhds. ARROL'S ALE
47 Barrels ENGLISH ALE
41 Hhds. DITTO
5 Ditto GUINNESS'S STOUT
2 Ditto COLONIAL STOUT
22 Casks and 1 Hhd. PURE MALT VINEGAR
400 Galls. DITTO
212 Doz. BOTTLED ALE, quarts
227 Ditto BOTTLED STOUT, ditto
31 Ditto DITTO, pints
33 Ditto LIGHT BITTER ALE
38 BREWERS' BASKETS, 2 dozen
6 Ditto ditto, 1 dozen
&c., &c.

To Brewers, Wine and Spirit Merchants, Hotelkeepers, Dealers, &c.

HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY
(late HARRIS and ACKMAN)
will hold the ABOVE IMPORTANT SALE by auction, ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE, at the Mart, 199 PITT-STREET, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 30th July, at 11 a.m.

Terms Cash.

IMPORTANT PRELIMINARY ANNOUNCEMENT.

TUESDAY, 3rd AUGUST, at 11.30 a.m.

FOR POSITIVE SALE BY AUCTION.

Under instructions from
Messrs. GERBER, MICHAUT, and COMPANY.

450 PACKAGES
NEW SEASON'S CEYLON TEAS.

Now Landing ex S.S. Weimar and Lusitania, from Colombo.
EMBRACING ALL GRADES from GOOD COMMON to EXTRA CURIO CHOICEST PEKOE SOUCHONG, PEKOES, ORANGE PEKOES, BROKEN ORANGE PEKOE, and EXTRA CURIO CHOICEST HILL-GROWN BROKEN ORANGE PEKOE.

SAMPLES and CATALOGUES obtainable at the Rooms.

HENRY HARRIS and COMPANY
(late HARRIS and ACKMAN)
will hold the above IMPORTANT SALE by Auction at the Mart, 199 PITT-STREET, on TUESDAY Next, 3rd AUGUST, at 11.30 a.m.

TO LADIES and GENTLEMEN FURNISHING, THE TRADE, &c.

THIS DAY,
FRIDAY, 30th JULY,
at 11 a.m.

At BROOK and CO.'S MART,

146 ELIZABETH-STREET (near Liverpool-street).

ABSOLUTELY UNRESERVED

SALE BY PUBLIC AUCTION
of
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

DRAWING and DINING ROOM FURNITURE.
Occasional Tables, square, octagon, and oval.
Platform Rockers, Music Stools, Couches.
SUPERIOR Mt. SIDEBOARD, Bevd. Glass.
Single and Double Bedsteads, Wire M., and Bedding.
HANDSOME BEDROOM SUITES.
Marble-top Washstands, Wardrobes, Comb. Chests.

36 SETS TOILET WARE.
This is a Line to suit the Trade.

Towel Rail, Washstands, Toilet Tables.
SINGLE and DOUBLE FLOCK MATTRESSES.
Kitchen Tables, Dresser, &c.

Glassware, Wedgwood Tea Set, Glass Jugs
Tumblers, Wine Glasses, Hand-painted Jugs.
Doulton Cups and Saucers, Cheese Covers, &c.

Paragon Gas Stove in first-class order.

Sewing Machine, "Home Shuttle."

H. W. BROOK and CO.
have received instructions from the owners
TO SELL THIS DAY, at 11 a.m.

WITHOUT ANY RESERVE.

TO LADIES and GENTLEMEN FURNISHING,
THE TRADE, &c.

MONDAY, 2nd AUGUST,
at 11 a.m.
On the Premises,
18 WELLINGTON-STREET, NEWTOWN,
second turning beyond Newtown bridge.

Under Instructions from
HERR PECHOTSCH,
who is leaving for Europe.

ABSOLUTELY UNRESERVED SALE
of
SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE
and EFFECTS.

MAGNIFICENT WALNUT PIANOFORTE,
"KAPS."
The celebrated iron-frame Upright Grand Piano by Kaps stands in the front rank. There are but few equal, NONE superior. This magnificent instrument was selected by Herr Pechotsch for his own use about three years ago, and cost
70 GUINEAS.
Intending Purchasers should wait for this.

Drawing-room Suite, Carpet, Wool Rugs,
Cornice and Curtains, Choice Pictures.
VERY HANDSOME WALNUT OVERMANTELS.
Elegant Clock, Music Easel, Whatnot, Ornaments.
SOLID WALNUT 4ft. MUSIC CABINET,
with bevelled plates, side shelves, and galleries.
Dining-room Furniture, 8 x 4 Dining Table,
Austrian Chairs, Dinner Service, Tea Set,
E.P. WARE and CUTLERY.
Hall Stand with bevelled glass, Linoleum.
About 50 Volumes, various Authors.
SUPERIOR SOLID CEDAR BEDROOM SUITE,
Single Bedsteads and Bedding, Child's Cot with brass rail
4-6 BLACK and BRASS HALF-TESTER BEDSTEAD
Woven Wire Mattress and Hair Mattress.
Toilet Ware, Rocker, Gilt Fireglass.
Chest of Drawers, M. T. Washstand, comb. Chest Drawers.
BED and TABLE LINEN
Kitchen Dresser, Table, Patent Mangle,
and a lot of
KITCHEN REQUISITES, and SUNDRIES.

H. W. BROOK and CO.
have received instructions from Herr Pechotsch to conduct this SALE on the premises,
18 WELLINGTON-STREET, NEWTOWN,
on
MONDAY, 2nd AUGUST,
at 11 a.m.
Auctioneers' Offices and Mart,
146 Elizabeth-street, near Liverpool-street.

To Painters, Paperhangers, Dealers, and Others

FOR ABSOLUTE SALE BY AUCTION.

ON THE PREMISES, 82 PITT-STREET
(Vickery's-buildings),
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, July 30,
AT 11 O'CLOCK SHARP

IN THE ASSIGNED ESTATE
of
J. EICKARD, IMPORTER.

THE WHOLE OF THE STOCK-IN-TRADE
of
WALLPAPERS, OILS, PAINTS, VARNISH, BRUSHWARE, &c.

LARGE AVERY'S PLATFORM SCALES,
&c., &c.
AS PER STOCKSHEETS, £500.

A. TRAVERSI and CO. will sell the whole of the above Stock THIS DAY, FRIDAY, July 30, at 11 o'clock sharp, on the Premises, 82 Pitt-street, rear of Vickery's-buildings.

Absolutely Without Reserve.

ABRIDGED ADVERTISEMENT.

FIVEDOCK, at 11 a.m., TO-DAY.
IMPORTANT and VERY ATTRACTIVE AUCTION SALE, at
"EMBARU," RIGHT AT TRAM STOP,
from Sydney, via Leichhardt.
VALUABLE FURNITURE and APPOINTMENTS, RONISCH PIANO, BANJO, SUITES, CARPETS, IRON SAFES, SCORCHER BICYCLE, OFFICE DESK, BREECH LOADER, BOOKS, SECRETAIRE DESK, EUREKA STOVE, LAWN MOWERS, TOOLS, HARROW, HOSE, POT PLANTS, GRAND DOG, SPLENDID POULTRY, AYRSHIRE COW, HOODED S.S. BUGGY and HARNESS.
Trams arrive 20 minutes after every hour right at the Embaru gates. Pleasant walk from various suburbs.
Catalogues at sale.
STRONGMAN and WATSON,
Auctioneers and Agents for Vendor.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction at his Rooms, 247a Pitt-street, THIS DAY, the unredeemed pledges pawned with Mr. Lionel Joseph, 16 Oxford-square, as follows:—
11 a.m., Clothing and boots.
12.30, Sundries (including musical instruments, &c.)

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 2.30 p.m.

TO PARTIES FURNISHING, HORSE DEALERS, &c.

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THIS DAY, FRIDAY.

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DITTO.—Lots 42 and 43, Sec. H, Bondi-road, Waverley Crescent Estate, deceased Estate.
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DITTO.—Residence, "St. Malo," Ridge-street, between Walker and Alfred streets. Mortgagee's Sale.
NEWTOWN.—Two Shops and Dwellings, Nos. 101 and 103 King and Longdown streets, east of Missenden-road, deceased Estate.
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